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CAPTAIN ROGERS BIRNIE, JR., Ordnance Department, U. S. A., will read his paper on "Gun Mak ing in the United States," before the Military Service Institution, at Governor's Island, N. Y. H., on Saturday, November 26, at 2 P. M.

WE are glad to note that the system of monthly payments has brought forth good fruit, as we always thought it would after being subjected to a fair trial. The War Department officials seem to think well of it and so does the Army at large. We have had numerous suggestions that the period might be even still further reduced, but for the present we are inclined to say "let well enough alone."

THE annual report of General Tidball, the commanding officer of the Fort Monroe Artillery School, will be found of unusual interest this year, as it contains a full description of the object of the school, the various branches of instructions, and in the account of the operations for the past year, plainly shows the benefits therefrom. The report will shortly be printed for general distribution.

A very important point with reference to the effects of artillery fire under water which has been generally overlooked is referred to by Engineering. As long as muzzle loaders were the fashion it was but natural that as they could not be depressed for firing, this question was not allowed to be raised, but with breech-loaders there is no reason why they could not be depressed 30 deg. or 45 deg., and a shot fired into the water at such angles would penetrate it quite as deep as the lower edge of the armor. Guns mounted en barbette would have to be raised high above this protection if they are to fire down-Ships best suited for this arrangement would be those in which the turrets are placed diagonally. The ricochet of long shot at long ranges is due to their base striking the water first; at close quarters they never rise.

ACTING Secretary of the Navy. Commodore Harmony, is greatly pleased with the result of his determination to consult at least three times a week the Chiefs of Bureaus of the Department on public business. The chiefs act as an advisory board to the Acting Secretary and he consults with them on all naval affairs, reserving to himself the power to act. Ex-Secretary Thompson first introduced the board system. He did not find it to work well on account of his fondness for relating stories. Instead of consulting his assistants on business matters the ex-Secretary was in the habit of entertaining them with sidesplitting yarns. This soon necessitated the abandonment of the board system and the bureau chiefs were consulted individually. present board was instituted at the suggestion of Secretary Whitney and it is probable will not be dissolved when he resumes charge of the Depart-

LIEUT.-GEN. SHERIDAN'S annual report, which we publish this week, is brimful of excellent suggestions, and affords proof that he is in full sympathy with the needs of the Service. We are glad to note his approval of Lieut. Zalinski's work, for it will serve to stimulate the ambition of the younger officers to secure similar recognition. Lieut. Zalinski's reputation is the legitimate fruit of industry, zeal, rgy and indomitable perseverance, such as we

this service. They can always depend upon receiving the encouragement of the ARMY AND NAVY JOURNAL, as they have in this case that of the Lieutenant General. The General's remarks concerning the needs of the National Guard are to the point, and it is to be hoped that his suggestion looking to the establishment of a system of encampment under the control and direction of the General Government will be acted on. In the development of such a measure, General Sheridan pledges his personal aid and that of the entire Army.

THE San Francisco Report thinks that Army officers are too apt to "scoff at reportorial suggestions and discredit intelligence conveyed to them by journalistic scouts." Its opinion is based upon the fact that when the reporters asked the commander of the U. S. troops at Chicago a few weeks ago if there would be a concentration of troops to guard against a possible outbreak on the occasion of the execution of the Anarchists "they were laughed to scorn." But, says the Report, with lofty indignation, "they knew more about it than the General himself, and 5,000 United States soldiers are now being hurried forward." Distance must indeed lend exaggeration if not enchantment to the view of the Report, if the two skeleton companies of Infantry at Highwood are thus magnified to our San Franciscan contemporary. The actual number of U. S. troops at Chicago is less than one hundred men and no more have been there at any time. It would be as well for the Report to inform itself hereafter before it ventures upon criticism.

THE New York Evening Post says: "The trouble into which we have got by the seizure of the British sealers in Behring's Sea and the imprisonment of the captains and crews, shows that it does not do to send poor judges even to the remotest parts of the When Mr. Lafayette Dawson, or, as his testimonials described him, 'Lafe' Dawson, of Missouri, was appointed U. S. District Judge in Alaska, probably nobody thought that any defects in his legal equipments would ever be of much consequence in that distant corner of the globe. But he was not very long there before he was called on to give an important decision in a branch of the law m which he appears to have had little or no experience, and in which he managed to blunder so effectively as to place the President under the neces sity of promptly overruling him, by directing the release of the vessels he had declared forfeited to the United States, and the discharge of the British subjects he had imprisoned as pirates or poachers. The question of damages still remains to be settled, and we notice that one of the items is the loss of 'prospective catch,' in imitation of our consequen tial damages in the Alabama case."

FROM Newport comes a report that a determined effort will be made the coming winter to practically destroy the Naval War College by transferring it to Annapolis, there to become a part of the Naval Academy. Considerable opposition has already been manifested toward the War College in time past, but this move would seem to indicate a more persistent attempt at its practical annihilation than any heretofore developed. Coupled with this transfer of the War College is likewise a proposition to change the headquarters of the Naval Training Station from Newport to New London, Conn., the reason given being that by so doing the Administration believes that Connecticut can be converted should be glad to see emulated by every officer in from a doubtful State to a Democratic one. Should

these two schemes be carried into effect, there is no room to doubt but that the result will be disastrous. not only to the institutions interested but to the Navy at large, for while exception may be taken to a few of the methods involved in the War College as at present organized, still the general result is of great and increasing benefit to the Navy. As to the reasons for changing the Training Station to New London, they may be sound from a political standpoint, but if the efficiency of the Service is to be consulted the station will unquestionably remain at Newport. It is needless to add that the officers of the Navy, who have expressed themselves on the subject, are a unit against the proposed changes, and predict all sorts of direful results as sure to follow the transfer. It is to be hoped that Congress will move with becoming moderation in this important matter, for the interests at stake are too great to permit hasty or injudicious action. It is understood that Senator Aldrich is interesting himself in behalf of the existing status of the institution menaced, and has received valuable data from Admiral Luce to assist him in his efforts.

In time the gentlemen whose roseate views of the Panama Canal would appear to have been obtained through the bottom of a champagne glass, while accepting the courtesies of its managers, will be convinced, if they are not already, that the view of this enterprise the Journal has from the first presented was the correct one. De Lesseps's bubble has received another puncture from the report of Senor Tamco Armero, agent of the Colombian Government, which is based upon a critical personal examination of the work. He estimates that up to September last there had been completed of the easy part of the work 32,925,230 cubic metres of excavation at an average cost, including expenses of management, of \$2 a cubic metre. This leaves 127,074,770 cubic metres to be removed and some of it for a distance of eighteen kilometres or over eleven miles. Greater difficulties will be encountered in working as the tide level is approached and the sea commences to flow into the whole canal. Aside from the im-mense work of controlling the Chagres river, the cost of which is estimated at \$94,840,000, the total additional cost of completing the work is estimated at \$603,499,080 (8,012,495,400 francs.) Concluding Senor Armero says: "And it must be remembered that the expense of management, interest, etc., amount annually to 100,000,000 of francs, which sum will continue to augment now that additional interest must be paid on the new loans, and thus we are compelled to reflect that the company will annually obtain less money, even should it offer higher interest, and it is absolutely certain that it will be difficult to obtain the requisite fabulous sum, and the more particularly so since the financial situation of the company is serious, is involved, and is alarming." Meantime the Canal shares are steadily declining in a rising market and M. de Lesseps has written to Premier Rouvier, asking authority to raise a loan for the Panama Canal by the issue of lottery bonds, states that he is negotiating with Engineer Eiffel for the purpose of insuring the digging of a passage across the Isthmus suffici-ent for a traffic of 7,500,000 tons yearly, reserving the completion of the work for the future, as in the case of the Suez Canal. He says that the funds for completing the work will be derived from the annual profits. In the instance of the Panama Canal the much-neglected Monroe doctrine appears to be

PERSONAL ITEMS.

CAPTAIN J. T. HASKELL, 23d U.S. Infantry, rejoined at Fort Wayne, Mich., this week from a short eave.

Dr. Jacob L. Wortman, the anatomist of the U. S. Medical Museum at Washington, goes to California on business.

LIEUTENANT W. H. C. Bowen, 5th U. S. Infantry, has rejoined at Fort Totten, Dakota, from a fortnight's leave.

CAPTAIN W. H. McLAUGHLIN, 18th U. S. Infantry, rejoined this week at Fort Riley, Kas., from a fortnight's leave.

CAPTAIN A. H. GOODLOE. U. S. A., retired, of Detroit, is making a tour of Europe and enjoying the trip very much.

CAPTAIN F. B. HAMILTON, 2d U. S. Artillery, now on leave, will join at Mt. Vernon Barracks, Ala., early in December.

Mrs. Grant has presented General Grant's famous old war horse "Claiborne" to the Soldiers' Home at Leavenworth, Kas.

CAPTAIN C. S. SMITH, Ordnance Corps, U. S. A., assistant to General Benét, was a visitor at West Troy, N. Y., this week.

MAJOR W. P. GOULD, U. S. A., retired, of Vinceness, Indiana, has left there to make a tour of the world. We wish him bon voyage.

LIEUTENANT D. N. McDonald, 4th U. S. Cavalry, who has been visiting at Carthage, Tenn., has had his leave extended three months.

GENERAL C. H. TOMPKINS, U. S. A., rejoined at Governor's Island, early in the week, from a brief trip to Baltimore and Washington.

MAJOR A. S. KIMBALL, U. S. A., returned to Los Angeles, Cal., a few days ago from a trip to Forts McDowell and Huachuca, Arizona.

CAPTAIN F. C. GRUGAN, 23 U. S. Artillery, who is visiting friends in Philadelphia, will return to Fort Barrancas, Fla., early in December.

LIEUTENANT D. L. BRAINARD, 2d U. S. Cavalry, is soon to be married to Miss Anna Chase, daughter of the Hon. H. M. Chase, of Walla Walla.

COLONEL A. TRACY, U. S. A., will reside at 314 Columbus avenue, Boston, Mass., at which place he hopes to remain for the coming winter.

CAPTAIN HARRY O. PERLEY, U. S. A., has arrived in Chicago, and taken charge of medical matters at the camp of the U. S. troops at Highwood.

LIEUTENANT A. D. ANDREWS, 5th U. S. Artillery, is preparing to leave Fort Columbus, N. Y. H., for a few months' tour of torpedo instruction at Willet's Point.

CAPTAIN WILLIAM H. ARTHUR, Assistant Surgeon, U.S. A., has returned to Fort Niagara, N.Y., from whence he was recently called by the death of his brother.

MAJOR C. B. THROCKMOBTON, 2d U. S. Artillery, lately visiting in Washington, has returned to Jackson Barracks, New Orleans, and resumed command of the post.

LIEUTENANT O. M. LISSAK, 4th U. S. Artillery, of Fort Adams, R. I., joined at Fort Warren, Mass., early in the week for temporary duty with Greenough's battery.

COLONEL E. S. OTIS, 20th U. S. Infantry, called on friends at St. Paul last week, on his way to Fort Assinniboine, Montana, to resume command of that post and his regiment.

CAPTAIN J. H. CALEF, 2d U. S. Artillery, will remain at Fort Monroe, Va., until April next, but his battery will leave there for Jackson Barracks, New Orleaus, early in December.

MISS ALICE WASHINGTON WEIR, daughter of Dr. Robert F. Weir, formerly an Assistant Surgeon, U. S. Army, was married at New York City, Nov. 9, to Mr. Edward La Montagne, Jr.

MAJOR G. M. STERNBERG, Surgeon, U. S. A., was at Memphis, Tenn., last week, attending the fifteenth annual session of the American Public Health Association, of which he is the President.

MAJOR T. U. TUPPER, U. S. Cavalry, under his recent promotion, remains with the regiment, with which he has been identified since 1861, but changes base from Fort Bayard to Fort Union, N. M.

LIEUTENANT W. H. HAY, 3d U. S. Cavalry, was married on Thursday of this week, November 17, at Easton, Md., to Miss Edith Carman. Owing to domestic slokness the wedding was quite private.

LIEUTENANT W. P. STONE, 2d U. S. Artillery, now at Little Rook Barracks, is said to be engaged to Miss Belle Sinclair, daughter of Major William Sinclair, U. S. A., commandant of Mt. Vernon Barracks, Ala.

THE case of the United States v. Henry P. Schroeder, formerly Lieutenant, 4th U. S. Artillery, charged with the larceny of a watch, and with obtaining money under false pretences, was nolle prossed by the District Attorney at Washington, D. C., a few days ago.

GENERAL B. H. GRIERSON, U. S. A., of Santa Fe, was at Fort Wingate, N. M., a portion of this week, presiding over the Court of Inquiry demanded by Captain Robert W. Shufeldt, Assistant Surgeon, U. S. A., to investigate his administration of the Medical Department at Fort Wingate.

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Did you ever hear of a Regular Army officer going on the stage? Yet amateur theatricals are, of all forms of amusements, most in favor at frontier posts, where many of the ladies and officers have attained no mean proficiency in depicting the joys and sorrows set down by the dramatists. Many an ambitious play has been acted well at far off Russell, or Yates, or Miles, with no better settings than wings of roughly-nainted cotton, drops of Army duck, flies of quartermaster's tarpanlins, and properties from the military quarters.—Detroit Free Press.

GENERAL N. A. MILES, U. S. A., has returned to Los Angeles from a trip to Arizona and New Mexico.

LIEUTENANT S. C. MILLS, 12th U. S. Inf., and Mrs. Mills, lately in Rome, Italy, will sail for home early in December.

GENERAL S. V. BENÉT, Chief of Ordnance, U. S. Army, registered at the Grand Hotel, New York City, on Monday.

GENERAL DANIEL McClure, U. S. A., returned to New York City the latter part of this week from a trip to Washington.

LIEUTENANT R. G. HILL, 20th U. S. Inf., passed through St. Paul a few days ago on his way to Fort Assinniboine, Montana.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL DAVID R. CLENDENIN, 3d U. S. Cav., under recent orders goes from Ft. Clark to Fort Ringgold, Texas.

Mrs. Smith, wife of Lieut. E. V. Smith, 3d U. S. Inf., is visiting her parents. Capt. and Mrs. Young at Watertown Arsenal, Mass.

CHAPLAIN JEREMIAH PORTER, U. S. A., and family were in Chicago last week on their way to Santa Barbara, Cal., to spend the winter.

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LIEUTENANT JOHN POPE, 1st U.S. Art., will leave
San Francisco next week for the East to report at
Willet's Point for a tour of torpedo instruction.

LIECTENANT D. L. BRAINARD, 2d Cavalry, now at Fort Walla Walla, is engaged upon the proof sheets of his narrative of the Lady Franklin Bay Expedition.

CAPTAIN C. R. BARNETT, U. S. A., lately at Portland, Oregon, has reported to General Miles at Los Angeles for duty as assistant to his chief quartermaster.

CAPTAIN S. A. MASON, 4th U. S. Cavalry, and Mrs. Mason, of Fort Lowell, are expected in San Francisco about Dec. 1 on their way East to spend a portion of the winter.

LIEUTENANT G. W. GATCHELL, U. S. A., whose transfer from the 5th to the 4th Artillery has been ordered, left Fort Columbus, N. Y. H., for Fort Adams, R. I., early in the week.

LIEUTENANT J. M. CARSON, 5th U. S. Cavalry, is to be married, Dec. 18, at Fort Leavenworth, to Miss Sumner, daughter of Colonel E. V. Sumner, U. S. A., General Merritt's Inspector of Rifle Practice.

LIEUTENANT J. D. MILEY, recently transferred from the 5th to the 4th Artillery, now returns to the former, under transfer, and changes base from Fort Adams, R. I., to Fort Columbus, N. Y. H.

GENERAL A. McD. McCook, U. S. A., left Fort Leavenworth this week for Mexico, going as a guest of the Commercial Club of Kansas City. During his absence Col. G. B. Sanford will command the post.

LIEUTENANT W. W. WOTHERSPOON, 12th U. S, Inf., who has been stopping at Utica, N. Y., since his regiment went from Sackett's Harbor to Dakota, will leave there in a few days to join his company at Fort Sully.

COLONEL DON PIATT has two new books on the stocks—one "The Shadow Side of the Republic," and the other a life of that staunch old hero, Gen. Geo. H. Thomas. Henry Cist, Esq., is his colaborer in the latter book.

GENERAL JAMES S. NEGLEY, since his retirement from Congress, is devoting his time to railroad improvements and enterprises with New York as his headquarters. He lives at the Hoffman House, where he is a conspicuous figure by reason of his military air.

It is the impression of the accounting officers that though a judgment in the sum of \$19,896.75 against Samuel Dans, an ex-paymaster in the Army, and his bondsmen has been rendered in favor of the Government, that it cannot be recovered. Dana died several years ago in California; his personal estate has been divided and his executors discharged.

ROBERT T. LINCOLN, talking with a friend about the defeat of Colonel Frederick Grant, said laughingly but earnestly, and as if even a trifle relieved by the idea: "That effectually disposes of the proposed ticket of Lincoln and Grant. The heredity platform is not strong enough for a party to stand on." Colonel Grant ran some thousands behind the next candidate on the Republican ticket for New York.

The veterans of the 7th Regiment Connecticut Volunteers have placed in the Asylum Hill Congregational Church, Hartford, a tablet in memory of the late Mrs. Harriet Foote Hawley, wife of their old commander, Senator Hawley. It is of polished red marble with a burnished brass plate bearing the dates and places of her birth and death, and this tilbute: "By the Grace of God, Harriet Foote Hawley lived a helpful life, brave, tender and true, a Soldier and Servant of Jesus Christ."

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Colonel Glover Perin, Assistant Surgeon General, U. S. A., after an honorable service dating from Dec. 4, 1847, was placed on the retired list on Thursday of this week, Nov. 17, having attained the age of sixty-four. Col. Perin served in the Mexican War and during the War of the Rebellion receiving for his meritorious services in the latter the brevet of lieutenant colonel. His retirement makes vacant the Medical Directorship of the Department of Dakota.

THE Comte de Paris writes under date of Oct. 6.
1887, to Colonel Nicholson, of Philadelphia, the following tribute to Major-General Meade, U. S. A.:
"My Dear Colonel—I thank you very much for the kind invitation which you have transmitted to me to be present at the unveiling of General Meade's equestrian statue in Philadelphia. I had the greatest sympathy and admiration for your illustrious countryman, and I would have gladly shown those feelings by joining personally those who are going to pay on the 18th of October a tribute to his memory. Unfortunately, I cannot just now spare the time necessary to make a trip to America. Believe me, my dear Colonel, yours truly, "Phillippe, Comte de Paris."

LIEUTENANT G. H. SANDS 6th U. S. Cavalry, lately on leave in Washington, will shortly join at Fort Wingate, N. M.

The Infantry and Cavalry School at Fort Leavenworth is to be congratulated that it is soon to have such a competent instructor added to its staff as Capt. J. G. D. Knight, Corps of Engineers, U. S. Army, who will go there from Willet's Point in a few days.

General John Gibbon, U.S. A., passed through St. Paul last week on his way to Vancouver Barracks from his trip to Philadelphia, and will resume command of the Department of the Columbia. While in St. Paul he was the recipient of much attention from many old friends and admirers.

LIEUTENANT L. A. LEONHAEUSER, 25th Infantry was married at Minneapolis Nov. 3 to Miss Florence Watson, daughter of Mr. John Watson. Lieut. J. H. Waters was best man, and a number of officers were present from Fort Snelling. After the wedding tour the married couple will go to Fort Meade, Dakota.

COLONEL W. R. SHAFTER, 1st U. S. Inf., formally organized at Portland, Oregon, on Thursday of this week an important General Court-martial composed of officers of rank from distant posts. Col. Burnham, of Major-General Howard's staff is Judge-Advocate of the Court. It is stated that the officers to be tried by the Court are Capt. Thomas F. Tobey and Lieut. J. Murphy, 14th U. S. Infantry.

GENERAL THOMAS WILSON, U.S. A., says the Kansas City Times, who leaves Fort Leavenworth, Nov. 14, for Chicago, has been on duty here since 1894, during which period be has won for himself many friends. All regret his departure and that of his family, who made social life pleasant at the post. Mrs. Wilson has already left for Omaha, where she is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Switzler, before going to Chicago. Miss Marguerite Wilson leaves Monday.

Monsieur Paul Blouer, ("Max O'Rell") who has arrived in New York to make a study of the American people, as well as to lecture to them, is a Frenchman by birth, and came of age just in time to fight for his country against the Germans, and was captured at Sedan. After a brief in prisonment he was released and returned to the army to encounter his own countrymen in the war of the Commune. A wound in the right arm incapacitated him for further military service and he retired upon a pension. For the last eleven years he has lived in London.

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The wife of Ulysses S. Grant has bought the house on the N. E. corner of 73d street and West End avenue, New York. Mr. Grant has a country home at Purdy's Station, N. Y. The N. Y. Tribune says of Mr. Grant: "He is better known as 'Buck' Grant, a nickname he received from having been born in Ohio, the Buckeye State. I understand that his wife's fortune, which was comprised in numerous land enterprises and silver mines in Colorado left her by her father, Jerome B. Chaffee, is likely to be much increased by recent fortunate discoveries of silver ore in the Heurietta and Maid of Erin mines at Leadville, and that it will reach over half a million of dollars."

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LIEUTENANT FRANK GREENE, Signal Corps, U. S. Army, who leaves Dayton, Nov. 6, for the East, has crowded "lots of joy" into his four months' leave, although part of the time he was on official duty in the western part of the territory. The lieutenant has developed quite a talent for carpentering, painting and gardening, acting the part of a wholesome old rancher to perfection. It is evident he is not dependent upon his position in the Army for a living. He has purchased some valuable farm lands in Asotin County, and is an enthusiastic believer in a brilliant future for Washington Territory, whose praises he will not fail to most effectually sound in the effect East.—Columbia Chrontele.

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CAPTAIN L. E. CAMPBELL, U. S. A., having left Fort Leavenworth for Denver, the Kansas City Times takes the opportunity to say: "Capt. Campbell has been on duty at Fort Leavenworth since November, 1883, and it can be said without any attempt of throwing 'taffy' that in the performance of the varied duties required in that office he has shown ability and a 'rustling' quality that but few men in his department possess. The improvements made by him upon the reservation have added greatly to the beauty of Fort Leavenworth. The city of Denver is to be congratulated in having Capt. Campbell detailed to assume charge of the construction of the new post in that vicinity. In Mrs. Campbell the social circle of Fort Leavenworth has lost a bright member, while Denver has won quite an addition. The poor and needy have, too, lost a good friend, for none were more prompt to relieve distress and distribute charity than Mrs. Campbell."

At a recent meeting of the Trustees of the Soldiers' Home at Bath, N. Y., the following resolution was unanimously adopted:

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WHEREAS, Gen. T. G. Pitcher, U. S. A., has presented his resignation of the position of Superintendent, which be has ably and acceptably held for more than seven years; therefore—Resolved, That this Board testify their highest appreciation of the character and ability of Gen. Pitcher and ohis fultifulness and zeal in the discharge of his duties. In accepting such resignation we feel that the Home loses the services of a faithful, zealous and incorruptible official and the inmates the care and guidance of one who has ever been their counselor and friend. It is with feeling of unfeignate so long existed between Gen. Pitcher and his accomplished wife and the members of this Board and we tender to each of them our heartfelt wishes for their future prosperity and happiness.

Gen. W. F. Rogers, of Buffalo, has succeeded Gen. Pitcher.

THE Vancouver Independent of Nov. 9 says:

Major Volkmar, Adjt.-Gen., has returned from Spokane Falls... Paymr. Muhlenberg last week went to Forts Canby and Townsend... Miss Laura Carpenter, who has been vising Miss Taylor at the Barracks, started last week for Fort Klamath... Lieut. C. W. Mason, 4th Inf., has returned to Boise Bks. His family arrive this week from the East.... Major S. S. Sunner inspected Fort Walla Walls last week. He was accompanied by Major C. A. Wikoff, 14th Inf., Inspector of Rifle Fractice... Lieut. E. J. McCleranand, A. D. C. to Gen. Gibbons, into whose hands the revision of Upton's catefactics fell, has about completed the work, and tests made have proved satisfactory to those who witnessed them

CAPTAINS C. AUGUR and J. A. Augur, of the Cav-lry, are both visiting relatives at Washington.

Captais O. E. Herrick, U. S. A., left Fort Mon-roe, Va., early in the week on a short leave of ab-sence.

MAJOR R. F. BERNARD, 8th U. S. Cavalry, has changed station from Fort McIntosh to Fort Davis, Texas.

LIEUTENANT FREDERICK WOOLEY, 10th U.S. Infantry, has taken charge of recruiting matters at San Carlos, Ariz.

CAPTAIN J. S. LOUD, 9th U. S. Cavalry, left De-troit, Mich., this week on a short visit to St. Louis on public business.

SECRETARY OF WAR ENDICOTT and the other men bers of the Military Prison Commission are expect at Fort Leavenworth about Dec. 1.

COLONEL L. L. LANGDON, U. S. A., has been joined at Fort Barrancas, Fia., by his wife and children, who spent the summer in the North.

Assistant Surgeon F. J. Ives, U. S. A., left Fort D. A. Russell this week for Omaha, where his mar-riage to Miss Minnie Megeath is to take place.

COLONEL EARDLEY MAITLAND entered on Nov. 3 on his duties at the Royal Arsenal, Woolwich, as Director-General of British Ordnance Factories.

CAPTAIN JOHN SIMPSON, U. S. A., and Mrs. Simpson have arrived in our midst, says the Omaha Excelsior, and are great acquisitions to the social circles of the city.

CAPTAIN EUGENE GRIFFIN, Corps of Engineers, U. S. A., has returned to Washington, after being absent for two weeks collecting information on the subject of underground wires, visiting New York, Chicago, Detroit, and Pittsburg.

THE marriage of Miss Nellie Zoe Hastings. of Fort Leavenworth, to Lieut. W. S. Scott, 1st U. S. Cav-alry, is to take place Nov. 30. The wedding tour will extend until about the end of January, when the married couple will join at Fort Leavenworth.

IT is said that the Archduke John of Austria has for It is said that the Archduke John of Austria has for some time been living in London' under strict incog-nito. Recently he wished to join the Jockey Club without breaking the incognito, and two eminent members of the club acting as his sponsors, asked the stewards to admit "a gentleman of exalted rank" without compelling him to disclose his real name. The application was refused and the Arch-duke is still outside the club.

The marriage of Asst. Surgeon W. D. Dietz, U. S. Army, to Miss Ella Louice Tyler, daughter of Lieut. W. W. Tyler, 13th U. S. Int., to which we briefly referred last week, took place Nov. 10at Fort Leavenworth and not at Fort Bayard. The ceremony took place in the post chapel, Chaplain Barry officiating. Asst. Surgeon W. D. McCaw, U. S. A., was "best man." A reception followed at the quarters of Lieut. Tyler, and the following day the happy couple left for Fort Bayard.

General J. P. Hawkins, U. S. A., lately relieved from duty at Omaha, will take a few weeks leave before joining at Boston for duty. Adverting to his and Gen. Dandy's recent departure from Omaha, the Cathedral Chimes of that city says: "Special regrets are felt throughout the Cathedral perish at the necessity which compels Gen. Dandy and Gen. Hawkins to withdraw from the city and our vestry. We are extremely sorry to lose these christian gentlemen from our social circle and from our parish councils, but we say 'God speed' in their new homes."

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GENERAL JOSEPH R. HAWLEY, United States Senator from Connecticut, and Miss Edith A. Horner were married at Philadelphis, Nov. 15, in St. Clement's Protestant Episcopal Church. Miss Horner was until recently head nurse in the Philadelphia Hospital. Miss May Wharton was maid of honor, and Lieut. Knapp, of the U. S. Navy, was best mau. Among those present were Gen. Sheridan and Gen. McCook, Secretary of the U. S. Seuate. A reception was given at the home of Mr. H. W. Tathum, after which the bride and groom left on an extended bridal tour.

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CHAPLAIN J. D PARKER, U. S. A., of Fort Riley, having recently retired from the presidency of the Kansas Academy of Sciences, the Topeka Commonwealth says: "Chaplain Parker may well be proud of his connection therewith. He was the originator and founder of the society and for several years kept it alive, being secretary and having its general management. At that time he was connected with Washburn College, or editor of the Commonwealth. Mr. Parker also founded the Kansas City Academy of Science while he was doing editorial work on the journal of that place."

GOVERNOR TAXLOR, of Tennessee, recently told of a colored clergyman who preached a sermon on the text: "And the multitudes came to Him and He healed them of divers discause." Said he: "My dying congregation, this is a terrible text. Disease is in the world. The smallpox slays its hundreds, the cholera its thousands, and the yellow fever its tens of thousands, but, in the language of the text, if you take the divers, you are gone. These earthly dootors can cure the smallpox, cholera, and yellow fever if they get there in time, but nobody but the good Lord can cure the divers."

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The Daly Saratogian announces that Mrs. Stacey, widow of Col. M. H. Stacey, U. S. A., is to give a series of lectures and illustrated talks upon the subject of "Social Grace," to the pupils of Temple Grove Seminary, Saratoga. It says:

Mrs. Stacey has introduced the study of social grace among the women, young and old, of New York, having a large class in the city, and also a class in Miss Dana's school in Morristown, N. J. Temple Grove is the second upon her list of schools, and therefore has the honor of sharing in the acvanced spirit of the day which acknowledges the need of a thorough knowledge of all that goes to make true social elegance and ease. Mrs. Stacey's lecture last evening in the importance of theroughly understanding the established divaries of siquette, as accepted in polite society the world over. Mrs. Stacey is a model of grace and dignity, both in personal presence and manner. Her magnetic enthusiasm is just what must carry a conviction of the dignity of her work to all who listen to her,

ADJUTANT G. R. CECIL, 13th U. S. Infantry, is at the Grand Hotel, New York City.

THE death of Capt. Edward S. Meyer, U. S. Army creates a vacancy on the disability retired list.

LIEUTENANT D. J. GIBBON, 9th U. S. Cavalry, un der recent orders, moves his lares and penates from Fort McKinney, Wyo., to Fort Robinson, Neb.

THE following Army officers are registered at the War Department this week: Prof. C. W. Larned, U. S. M. A.; Col. R. S. Grauger, retired; 1st Lieut. G. R. Cecii, 18th Inf.; Maj. John B. Parke, 16th Inf.

The selection of a successor to Col. Glover Perin, Assistant Surgeon General, whose retirement was announced on Nov. 17, is now under consideration by the President, There are three candidates in the field for the office, Chief Medical Purveyor Dr. Baxter, and Surgeons McParlin and Page.

GENERAL BENET, Chief of Ordnance, and his Chief Assistant, Capt. Smitb, visited Sandy Hook this week to witness the first experiments with the new 12-inch breech loading mortar, which was pronounced ready for firing on Nov. 15. They will visit Watervilet and several of the Eastern arsenals before returning to Washington.

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THE Commission created by Congress—the Secretary of War, Mr. Clark, architect of the Capitol, and Senator Hoar, chairman of the Library Committee—has awarded the contract for a statue to Lafayette to Alexander Falguiere and Autoni Mercie, French sculptors, and members of the Legion of Honor, whose joint production was accepted. The statue is to be finished within two years. The figure of Lafayette will stand upon a pedestal of the best Italian marble. In front of the statue will be a figure of America tendering the sword of liberty, and on each corner a figure of one of Lafayette's compatriots.

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Ix appears that Col. Cody, Buffalo Bill, who is known personally to so many Army officers, considers himself to-day worth \$50,000. The bulk of this is invested in good Western real estate. Salsbury, he said, was worth about \$500,000 that he had put away since he had gone in with the Wild West. Cody says that he is not certain about their future. He has made enough money to retire. They will play the winter through in England and then go to Belgium for three or four weeks for the spring exhibition there. Then they will go to Paris for a few weeks and to Rome later. The manager of the Paris Hippodrome has advised Cody to go to Russia. He says that he would make a greater success in Russia than in any country of Europe. Just before leaving New York for England Barnum came to him and offered him \$25,000 for a quarter interest in the European venture. Cody accepted this offer, until he learned of the condition that was attached to it—that Barnum's name should go ahead of Cody's in the announcement of the combination. This Cody refused. He says that the name he has made as a successful showman is as much to him as the money. Cody says he lately received the largest offer known in the history of the show business—\$1,000,000 in cash for a contract for two years to play in different parts of Europe. This offer he refused, for the reason that he is not certain that he wants to remain in Europe for two years and if he did he would be able to make more money than that under his own management and not be tied up with any one.

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BUFFALO BILL has been succeeded as the reigning sensation in London by another distinguished American, the Boston pugilist, John L. Sullivan. He is described as knocking the English champions out one after another, and as creating such a sensation that his appearance anywhere creates an excitement almost equivalent to a riot. One of the friends of the Prince of Wales wrote to Pat Mullins, a retired prize fighter and teacher of boxing, extensively patronized by "the nobility and gentry" that the Prince desired to see the champion of the world at his trade, and Mullins wrote in great agitation to Sullivan's backer, Phillips, that the thing must be done within a week or two. The letter was read to Sullivan and that great man said calmly: "Write to the Prince of Wales and tell him I'm too busy to see him unti after the 28th, but let him hold on till then and I'll show him something that he never knew anything about before." Of course this expression of the high and lofty spirit so becoming to a Bostonian and great fighter was not allowed to reach the Prince in precisely this form.

COMMANDER G. W. COFFIN, U. S. N., registered at the Grand Hotel, New York City, on Wednesday.

COMMANDER D. W. MULLAN, U. S. N., registered at the Sturtevant House, New York City, on Tuesday.

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COLONEL HOBART, of the British Army, and Capt Hankin, of the British Navy, registered at the Hoff-man House, New York City, early in the week.

THE engagement of Mr. Arthur Dutton, son of the wife of Rear Admiral Franklin, U. S. N., and Miss Mary Pinkney, of Annapolis, is announced.

Mr. Jacob E. Norl., who resigned from the Navy in June last, has entered into an engagement with the Washinghouse Electric Company, of Pittsburg,

LIEUTENANT W. H. EMORY, U. S. N., who has been ordered to examination for promotion, will be examined on the Pacific Coast before proceeding to Alaska on the Thetis.

LIEUTENANT W. MCCARTY LITTLE, U. S. N.; has sold to the Astors for \$325,000, the Westmoreland apartment house, on the corner of Union Square and 17th Street, New York City.

MR. GEORGE W. CHILDS entertained Rear Admiral Vigues, commander French North Atlantic squadron, at his country seat, "Woottou," near Philadelphia on Wedneeday; also Capt. Nemard, Lieuz. Garnaut and Villenuve, of the flagship Minerue; M. Louis Voissian, the French Consul, and several prominent Philadelphians.

LIEUTENANT E. D. TAUSSIG, U. S. N., arrived in

SECRETARY WHITNEY'S condition is constantly im-proving, said Dr. Loomis on Monday to a New York Evening World reporter. "He takes horseback ex-reise daily and soon will be a well man sgain."

On Saturday evening last, Rear Admiral Vignes, Capts. Menard and H. Garnault, A. D. C., and Lieut. Villeneuve were entertained at dinner by Mayor Fitler of Philadelphia. It is expected that the Minerve will leave Philadelphia for the West Indies about Nov. 25.

THE engagement is announced of Commo. Theodore D. Wilson, Chief Constructor of the Navy, and Cara Selena Hubbard, daughter of the late Captain Wm. Hubbard, of the British Navy. The marriage, which will be a quiet and private affair, will take place on Dec. 7 in Washington.

COMMODORE BROWN, commandant of the Norfolk Navy-yard, was at the Navy Department on Wednesday, consulting with bureau chiefs concerning the proposed repairs on the Galena to be made at his yard. It is proposed to send the Galena to Norfolk where she will be provided with new boilers and undergo slight general repairs.

THE London Army and Navy Gazette says: "We hear that the Secretary of the United States Navy is suffering from overwork, and is incapacitated from attending to his duties. Mr. Whitney has made such immease improvements in the American Navy that every well-wisher of the States will hope that rest will restore his health, and that he will soon be enabled to resume work at Washington."

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The first lecture of the season before the Seawanhaks Yacht Club will be held at the 'lub house on
Saturdny next at 8.30 p. m., the subject being—
"Hydrography History, Theory and Methods of
Chart Making." The lecturer is Lieut.-Comdr, Leonard Chenery, U. S. Navy. The club has, we are glad
to see, taken a new departure on the subject of "intellectual yachting," concerning which we will have
something further to say another week.

Is March next the term of Medical Director Gunnell as Surgeon-General of the Nuvy will expire. Dr. Gunnell has been eminently successful in the conduct of the Bureau of Medicine and Surgery, and Secretary Whitney has on many occasions expressed himself as highly gratified with the improvements instituted by the Surgeon-General of his administration. This, his frieads hope, is an indication of the probability of his reappointment, which will enable him to retire within 18 moeths after his reappointment with the relative rank of Commodore.

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JOHN ROACH, the son of the shipbuilder and promoter of American shipping, who bears his father's name, has charge of the famous shipyard at Chester. He is a quiet and reserved man of perhaps forty years, with a black mustache and hair slightly tinged with gray. He comes over to New York once in two or three weeks. I met him the other day at the Fifth Avenue Hotel, where we fell to talking about the great shipyard that his father built. He said that this would be a busy winter there and that they would employ eight or nine hundred men. "This is not a fancy figure," said Mr. Roach, "but the actual number that we shall employ."—N. Y. Tribune report.

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A PARTY of officers from the French flagship Mincree visited the large ship and engine works of Wm. Cramp and Sons, on the Delaware river Nov. 9. They were "Captaine de Vaisseau Maxime du Menard," commander of the flagship Mincree and chief of staff; "Lieutenant de Vaisseau Duorest de Villeneuve, A. D. C.; Lieut. Havard, Lieut. Le Ckech, Lieut. Aubry, Chief Engr. Niobey, "Mecanineic Principal de Ire Classe;" Surg. G. Roach, "Medecin de 2e Classe: "and Midshipman Houri du Couedic de Kerant, and Catube lunca, "Aspirants de Marine de Ire Classe." They went aboard of the partially complete steel hulls of the cruiser Battimore, the dynamite gun cruiser and Gunboat No. 1. The work on these vessels is superinteuded by Captain R. L. Phythian, U. S. N., President of the Board of Inspectors of Steel Armor, and Lieut. John Rogers and Lieut. Milligan, U. S. N.

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We were informed last week that there were charges affecting the reputation of Lieut. Emory H. Taunt, but did not mention the fact, hoping that his action might be satisfactorily explained. Now a Court-martial has been ordered which assembled in Brooklyn on Thursday of this week for his trial on charges preferred by the Navy Department, including absence from station and duty without leave, disobedience of orders, and scandalous conduct. The Court consists of Captains F. M. Ramsay, N. H. Farquhar, T. F. Kane, and C. M. Schoonmaker; Commanders E. M. Shepard, George W. Coffin, George H. Wadleigh, William H. Whiting, and B. H. McCalla, with Lieut. Adolp Marix, Judge Advocate. The specifications allege that Lieut. Taunt was absent from the Nipsic, without leave, from Oct. 12 until Nov. 1; that when he was found at the Sturtevant House in New York on Oct. 22, and was ordered by Commander Mullin to report immediately on board the Nipsic, he refused to obey the order, leaving the hotel at which he was stopping and wilfully concealed his whereabouts, and for nine days prevented the enforcement of the order of his commanding officer requiring him to return to his station; that by the excessive use of intoxicating liquor he incapacitated himself fer the proper performance of his duty, and on Nov. 1 was, in consequence of such prolonged excessive use of intoxicating liquor, so ill as to require medical treatment. Lieut. Taunt has held so high a standing in the Navy that it is difficult to account for his peculiar conduct on any other theory than the one entertained by his friends, which is that of mental disturbance resulting from the hardships suffered by him on the Greely Relief Expedition, and later in the Congo explorations. Members of his family and intimate friends have been worried about his condition of mind and body ever since his return from Europe, when he surrendered the remainde

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While the Division of the Missourr has been free from Indian hostilities of any magnitude, many operations of a minor nature have been rendered necessary. Troops have been continually occupied in patrolling the Oklahoma country, and have been successful in keeping intruders out of that region. The gradual spread of railroads throughout the territory can, however, ultimately have but one effect, and I am now of the opinion that Congress may well consider the advisability of opening up portions at least of this country to extlement. What at one time threatened to develop into a serious difficulty arose last August in Colorado, near the Uncompangre Indian Reservation. Lieut. Burnett was most fortunately able to avert the threatened hostilities. Through his intercession the whites agreed to keep off the reservation and the Indians were induced to return to their agency. This practically terminated the difficulty. Gen. Terry embodies in his annual re

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Very recently some little trouble has occurred on the Crow Indian Reservation in Montana, the result of one of the annual horse stealing raids of the Crows against their neighbors, the Piegans. Having been somewhat successful in their enterprise, the Crows, upon their return to the sgency, in dulged in too much liquor, became very enthusiastic and excited, as Indians will under such circumstances, and in celebration of their prowess, among other acts, fired off their guns, some of the bullets unfortunately penetrating the roof of the agent's dwelling and of the sutler's store. The agent, from the best information that I have, while an honest, honorable, well-meaning man, is not very well calculated to deal with wild Indians, being somewhat arbitrary, and domineering, and in his endeavor to establish discipline attempted to enforce his power at once without giving the Indians a chance to cool off after their indulgences. As might have been expected from people of their character, resistance was immediately threatened. Reports of the trouble having reached Washington, I, after consulting with the Secretary of the Interior, went to St. Paul, intending if necessary, to continue on to Fort Custer, but obtaining a full report of the circumstances from Gen, Ruger, the department commander, I did not deem my personal intervention necessary, but, instead, directed him to proceed to the scene of trouble and assemble their such a force that their numbers alone would overawe the malcontents and render resistance impossible. This has been done, and as those directive concerned in the trouble are only seventeen in number, I auticipate no difficulty in their subjugation. Gen. Ruger will cause the Indians who have taken the principal part in this affair to be arrested; and to further quiet the resitess young men among them, I authorize him to enlist about thirty of their number as scouts and take them to Fort Custer. The Crows have always be

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confident that Gen. Ruger will be able to affect a permanent settlement that will be satisfactory to the Crows as well as to ourselves.

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The extension of railroads throughout the division, which has steadily progressed during the year, will bring some posts that were formerly supplied with difficulty and expense within easy reach, and will also obviate the necessity for longer retaining some of the smaller garrisons.

The policy of concentration into larger posts in the vicinity of railroad centres has for several years been activocated, and many minor positions, now retained only because they afford a shelter for the troops not as yet provided for elsewhere, will be abandoned as soon as accommodations can be obtained at the regimental posts now either building or contemplated in the near future. The work on the new post at Denver, where it is proposed to place ten companies, will shortly be commenced; that at San Antonio has been progressing favorably during the year, the ground for the new post near Chicago will pass into the possession of the Government at an early day, and at Fort Snelling both the reservation and other attendant conditions are favorable for the establishment of a large garrison, and only some additional buildings are required for their accommodation. The reconstruction of Fort Riley has been actively prosecuted during the year, but before it can be completed additional appropriations will be necessary. No other post in the country possesses such advantages for the location of a school of practice for light batteries and for cavalry exercises, and since its establishment for these purposes has been authorized by Congress it has been demed but true economy to erect only buildings of a substantial and permanent nature, so that with the new equipment of breechloading steel field guns, metal carringes, and improved harmes, now being manufactured by the Ordanne Department, the Service will probably derive marked benefit from this station for a number of pears. The garri

Il do not look favorably upon the proposition of Gen. Miles to separate the Indians now at San Carlos into several camps about 100 or 200 miles apart, deeming it for the best interests of the Territory of Arizona and of the Indians interests of the Territory of Arizona and of the Indians interests of the Territory of Arizona and of the Indians interests are the should be kept in one body, and the duties necessary for their control, concentrated at a single point. Divided into different bands, each location might become the centre of disturbances, and the difficulties of their supervision would be greatly increased.

Practice marches and the establishment of field camps have formed an important feature of the military instruction imparted during the year in this division, and in one case the interconses between National Guard troops and those of the Army, consequent upon the adjacent location of their camps, proved to be of benefit to both, and afforded the State troops an opportunity to become more thoroughly conversant with Army methods.

Both Gen. Howard and Gen. Miles call attention to the inferior condition of the buildings at many of the posts in the Department of Arizona. As the territory becomes more closely acticed and the Indian troubles gradually cease, some of the smaller posts can, as in other divisions, be profitably abandoned and replaced by new or enlarged garrisons arranged, as upon our northern borders, with greater regard to the position of the boundary line between Mexico and the United States.

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During the last few months the system of monthly payments has been inaugurated at some of the posts in the Army, and although so recently established that its effect cannot yet be determined, it is hoped that by placing smaller amounts more frequently in the soldier's hands the tempuration to periodical dissipation may be lessened, discipline thereby furthered, and the number of desertions diminished. The recruiting service has been properly conducted during the year, and an increased number of men of good standard have been obtained. At two of the general depots the system of messing the recruits and permanent parties as a single command, instead of by companies, has proved successful, and may now be considered as firmly established. With the suggestion of the Adjutant-General that the plan be extended throughout the Army, I am, however, unable to coincide. Between a permanent recruiting party and a company, or the entire garrison of a military post, no direct comparison can be instituted, as the conditions and requirements of the service are radically different. Make the company while in garrison dependent upon a general mess and the officers and men will soon lose a great portion of this knowledge that they now possess, and if suddenly placed in the field the officer will be found ignorant of the needs of his men and the soldiers themselves unable to properly prepare their rations. The garrison mess may perhaps be a slight economy, and possibly the living would be improved thereby, but as long as soldiers are maintained in peace mainly to fit them for the emergency of war, to inaugurate a measure which might, and probably would, impair their future efficiency, would be to pay a heavy price for what could be at best but a slight increase in present comfort.

The Inspector-General's report again indicates, as it did last year, that the Army is in a very h

and offer recommendations as to the theorems and principal traction to be imparted in the future. It is confidently expected that the labors of this board will result in placing the school upon a still furmer basis and greatly enhancing its value to the younger officers of our cavalry and infaniry.

Instruction in the employment of the rife and carbine has been most energetically prosecuted throughout the year, and with very satisfactory results. The returns from the different departments, which embrace the firing of all the Army, as well as the reports of the annual competitions of selected shots, show an advance even over the progress is especially noticeable in the skirmish firing—a class of practice only thoroughly introduced by my authority two years ago, but which from its practical features have always deemed of the greatest value. It is the object of the system of instruction now in force in the Army to so educate the enlisted men that their fire in battle can be delivered with the maximum effect rather than to centre efforts upon the development of especial accuracy among particular individuals. The targets employed both for known distance and skirmish practice are well adapted for this purpose, and the periodical reports of progress, as expressed by the figure of merit of the various organizations, are efficient and necessary means to this desired end. These measures have proved entirely successful, and by far the greater portion of our soldiers are now good shots and would be found formidable adversaries in battle. Rife practice, being timily established and theroughly conducted throughout the Army, the season for range flings was this year reduced from four to their pay be delivered that the companish of their pay in comparison with the several military head-quarters. While the system is generally satisfactory to all concerned and a good corps of efficient clerks has been obtained under it, the status and exercises of the soldier.

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recommend such revisions of the tactics as will place the more completely in harmony with the advanced methods of conducting war. It can hardly be questioned that both the drill and discipline of the men and the efficiency of the Army for service would be much enhanced by increasing by 5,000 men the present enlisted strength of the Army, and to still further perfect the organization of the infantry arm two majors and two companies should be added to each regiment—all measures that I recommended in my last three amnual reports. But the measure which would most promote the efficiency of the Service would be the passage of a law authorizing the immediate retirement of those efficiency about 80 in number, in whose cases such action has aiready been recommended by military boards, or who have for some time econoses of an account of sickness from their commands with but little prospect of ultimate recovery. Their enforced continuation on the active list, though doing no duty, has left companies without their proper complement of officers, and brought additional labor on other men while at the same time deriving them of meritad promotion. These 80 officers owe their disability to causes incident to the Service, in many cases to wounds received in hattle, and have well earned, the rest that an honorable retirement would afford. If this desired measure should meet the approval of Congress, the regular retired list would probably afford in the future sufficient provision for the retirement of auch officers as might periodically become unit for active duty.

The Springfield rifle still remains the weapon of our Service and it is undoubtedly a very good one. In my opinion, however, the migazine gun musts be the arm of the future and a glance at foreign armies shows that future to be very slow, and as far as I know no very decided steps have been taken during the year nor any definite conclusions yet reached. If it is not possible for us to devise at an early duy a good magusine gun endoughting the sea actively engaged in e

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THE INSPECTOR-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

THE INSPECTOR-GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT Insp.-General Absalom Baird, U. S. A., says: The regular force of the department, supplemented by the detail of officers of the line as acting inspectors, which the Secretary of War is by law authorized to make, is inadequate for the complete performance of all the duty required, as we would wish it to be done. For this reason I repeat my recommendation of last year, that the strength of the department may be increased.

An allowance of ten cents a mile for each mile actually travelled is asked for the Corps, as its members are mostly married men, have to maintain home establishments, and the present illiberal laws do not allow enough to cover the expenses of their travelling. A further allowance of olerical assistance is again asked for. General Baird says:

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In my annual report of last year I remarked that the Army, as a whole, was in a very healthy and gratifying condition. I repeat this remark now for the reason that it elicited some criticism at that time. It is not intended now to assert that there are no breaches of discipline whatever in the Army. A guardhouse is found necessary at every post just as a jail is required in every county, but the general spirit of obedience to haw and a desire to improve, so far as opportunities will permit, animates almost all officers and soldiers, and our enlisted men are certainly of a very respectable class of persons. It is impossible to attain great perfection in all of the drills with only skeleton commands, depleted by various details for labor, but our officers do the best they can, and the perfection which has been renched in the use of the rifle, since unusual attention has been given to target practice, proves that any desired degree of perfection in other military exercises could be attained by the same troops whenever demanded.

It is true that there are orders in existence unrepealed, but so long neglected that from disuse they are nearly forgotten, at the same time it is seldom the troops are to blame for this. It is generally the fault of the government of the Army and not of the soldiers. Too many orders are issued, not always emanating from the same source, and not always subjected to the close scrutiny of one person to assertain that each new one does not in its requirements infringe on another already in existence which it was not designed should be repealed. In my judgment too much time is allotted to target practice, to permit proper instruction in all other important matters, almost all of the orders which have been brought to my notice as having fallen into seeming disnose are, of a character in which the commanding officers for prefere.

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Trepeat my recommendation that all articles of dress issued to a soldier should be fitted to his person without. If the entire value of all that part of the ration including the ration of flour, which is not consumed, was expended in articles of food exclusively, and the various funds now created out of this surplus provided for by direct appropriations, I think there would be no complaint as to the sufficiency or quality of the soldiers' food allowance.

In this connection I invite attention to a recommendation made by Lieux.—Col. W. F. Drum, Acting Inspector-General for the Department of Arizona, to the effect that the baking of bread and messing of troops be turned over entirely to the Subsistence Department, and that all savings on the ration revert to that department. I think this suggestion merits thoughtful consideration.

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The matter of descritions from the Army has caused less remark during the past year than in some preceding it.

The report regarding post schools indicate, as those of previous years have done, that they are of but little benefit to the enlisted men.

An increase in the number of pounds of baggage

allowed to officers on changing station, under orders, is suggested that this may not be overlooked in preparing new estimates.

For the first time, an inspection of the work of the officers detailed as military instructors at colleges and schools has, by direction of the Secretary of War, been made and reported upon. The report of inspections made auggest the necessity of a code of regulations, the same for all institutions, defining, in the interests of the United States, the duties of the officers detailed, and informing the authorities of the different institutions what is to be expected of them in return for the gratuitous loan of a military expert as instructor, accompanied by the further loan of Government arms and equipments, it has been recommended that the detail for the Service should be for a fixed period, say of four years, and that such students as show unusual aptitude in military studies and pursuit, should be given a diploma signed by the president of the college and the military instructor to signify to the Governor of the State in which they reside their fitness for military employment, should State troops be called for. That the detail of officers of the Army as instructors in civil institutions might, under proper rules, be made the vehicle of disseminating valuable knowledge in the community can not be doubted, but at the same time it must be remembered that every officer so detailed has been commissioned to fill an office supposed to be necessary in the regular military establishment, and his prolonged absence indicates that the office is not a necessary one. A colonel long absent from his regiment proves that a regiment can exist very well without a colonel, and one lieutenant only with a company during a long time proves that a company needs only one. The fact is, every officer should be in the place to which his commission assigns him, and when it becomes distasteful to him he ought to retire.

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The official annual reports do not, as a rule, contain much lively reading, but the new Chief of the Naval Bureau of Steam Engineering has certainly succeeded in infusing an unwonted amount of vitality into his report. Mr. Melville describes the work done at each of the Navy-yards, both on the machinery of Naval vessels and in improving the conditions of the shops in detail. The shops at several of the Yards are sufficiently equipped for building marine machinery of the largest size, but are deficient in their resources for handling work as quickly or economically as should be the case. In order to be prepared for any emergency when machinery would have to be built rapidly in large quantities, additions of modern tools should be made. Complete hydraulic boiler-making plant capable of dealing rapidly with the thickest steel plates is recommended to be put up at the Navy-yards at New York, Norfolk and Mare Island. Each of the principal Yards should be equipped with a testing machine of the largest size for proving parts which are to be actually incorporated in machinery. In this way engines can be made much lighter than at present, as a great excess of weight is necessarily used in order to allow for hidden defects in material. All of our Navy-yards are very defective in their general arrangements. The shops are spread about too much, and are not near enough to the water front to allow material to be handled promptly. Each Bureau has its own boilers, sometimes in several parts of the Yard. At each Yard there should be but one set of boilers for this purpose, centrally located, from which underground pipes would radiate to the places where the steam is used. There is too much routine and red tape confected with Navy-yard management for the proper transaction of business. The military features are made more prominent than the building and repairing of ships and machinery, and work is thereby delayed and its cost increased.

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It is recommended, for the purpose of facilitating the transaction of business, this bureau be authorized to communicate directly with its representatives at the Navy-yards and on board ship in regard to all details of work, a press copy of such communications being sent in all cases to the communication being sent in all cases to the communication that have been made prominent by Admiral Porler and by the Chief Constructor. This is that the old single turret monitors are the only armored vessels that we now possess in a state of completion. These vessels should be kept in condition to be used in case of necessity arising before the more modern ships are completed. By a very small outlay the speed of all the old monitors can be considerably increased and the vessels consequently be made more efficient. Nearly all the work done on the engines and boilers of ships on foreign stations is done by the engineers' force of the ships. Mention is made of the absurd practice of charging work on new boilers to some ship, although the boilers may not eventually be put into that particular vessel. Boilers should be built and kept for such ships as may need them first, but should only be charged to ships when actually put in.

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Attention is called to the gradual decrease in the number of Engineer officers, there being already an insufficient number to properly perform the duties. The number of P. A. Engrs. should be restored to the former list of 100. Better provision should be made for the education of engineers for the Service. The present system of education at the Naval Academy, which seeks to make Jacks-of-all-trades of the students, is not what is needed. At the end of the second year's course of study the cadets should be divided into midshipmen and cadet engineers, and all those not needed to fill vacancies be dropped from the Service to make way for a new lot from which to make the next choice.

The aid of Congress is asked to restore the present cadet engineers to their legal rights of which they were deprived by being discharged from the Service under a misinterpretation of the law of August 6. 1882. Legislation is also asked for the purpose of putting engineer graduates of the Naval Academy on an equal focting with their classmates of the line by making all graduates take relative rank according to order of academic merit at the date of graduation, instead of the engineers ranking after the line as at present.

The duties of engineers on board ship are, the report says, very often misinterpreted by commanding officers. On some ships the engineers are re-

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durer to stand watch day and night when the machinery is not running and there is nothing its re"a mass of cold cast from "is nonsensical, and takes
"away a great part of the luterest which these officers would otherwise take in the oare and preservation of the machinery. Mr. Melville remarks thatof duty when he is not as uncomfortable as it is
possible to make him is too prevalent in the Service." It is saked that military traditions and customs be so far set aside as to require the chief endure the interest of the same direct to
the Bureau, at the same time giving a copy of the
report to his commanding officer, so that if an emergof the limits of his instructions he may be enabled to
explain it to the Department.

The number of men in the enginers' force on
board of all except the older vessels, is entirely
are required to spend more time drilling on deck
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chinery of each ship of the fleet at least once a year while under way; also to inspect it when the ordinary work is going on in port, so that he may become better acquainted with the condition of the machinery than he can by simply looking at it at a time when its chief merits are supposed to be judged by the brilliancy of its pollsb. In order that these inspections can be properly carried out, an assistant engineer should be attached to every flagship for staff duty.

Every ship in commission should be tried at least once every six months, and more frequently, if possible, for eight hours under full power. A part of this run should be made over a measured base in order to determine the exact speed. Lack ship should also, once a year, be subjected to a progressive speed trial over a measured base if possible. The results of these trials would give to the Department a good idea of the efficiency of the machinery, and would be useful in many ways.

FOR THE NAVY AND A NAVAL RESERVE.

TRE Sulf Department of the American Shipping and Industrial Loague met in convention at Birmingham, Ala., Nov. 9, 10 and 11. The general purpose of the Organization is to cularge and extend commerce between the United States and foreign countries. In the absence of the President, Judge Walker, the First Vice President, Hon. J. M. Martit, opened the proceedings. Addresses were made by Major Lano, of Birmingham; Chas. S. Hil; Senator Morgan, of Mississippi; Capt. Ambross Snow; Hon. W. C. Whitthorne; Hon. W. H. Miller, of Kansas City, who spoke for the trans-Mississippi region; Hon. John A. Martit; Hon. Chas. E. Hocker, of Mississippi, who spoke on the commerce of the Mississippi Mr. L. M. Merritt, of Florida; Mr. Inge, of Mobile: Hon. N. D. Wallace; Hon. Edw. Tennel, Hon. Breedlove Smith, of New Orleans; Hon. Mr. Hotg, of Virginia; Dr. J. B. Read, of Tuscalcosa, Ala.; Capt. J. C. Patterson, of Pensacola; Col. Hill, W. W. Bates, of Buffalo.

Mr. Whitthorne's theme was a naval reserve. He explained the purpose of the league, quoted its platform and enlarged upon the necessity for the work it has undertaken. Three things, he said, necount for the decline in our mercantile marine: The change from wood to iron, the transfer to other flags during our civil war, and the building of the Suez Canal. The destruction of your commercial marine countries and infinite marine means the destruction of your Navy and the destruction of both means that your country is in a defenceless attitude and it is my duty as one of your representatives, and it is your, duty as citizens to guard against thir. The Naval Reserve buil which Mr. Whitthorne said: "Can you maintain a navy without such reserve? No, sir, You can make a soldier in a month, but you can't make a college of the Continuing of the Continuing of the

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Ax carnest effort will be made during the coming session of Congress to repeal the act locating the War College and headquarters of the Naval Training Station. Under the present arrangement the War College receives the torpedo class officers, who have three months' practical work for three months' study of the higher science of naval warfare. Now it is learned an effort is to be made to have the War College course at Annapolis, which the higher officers declare would be open to serious objections.

An effort is to be made to transfer the headquarters of the naval training station to the Thames River, from whence it was removed some years ago. The Newport taxpayers ceded to the Government Cosster's Harbor island, valued at about \$150,000, and the removal, it is said, would be a breach of faith. The Rhode Island delegation in Congresa will fight hard to retain both institutions.

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G. O. 5. DIV. OF THE PACIFIC, NOV. 7, 1887.

Calls attention of officers to Par. 867, Army Regulation hich requires that all commanders who gave an order olving the expenditure of public money shall send a cuercof to the bureau of the War Department to which are noisy appearance.

STAFF CORPS AND DEPARTMENTS.

General Officers.

General Miles, Dept. Comdr., accompanied by Asst. Surg. Leonard Wood, will proceed to Fort Lowell, A. T., and Forts Selden, Stanton and Win-gate, N. M., on public business (S. O. 120, Nov. 5, D.

Judge Advocate General's Department.

Lieut. Col. Horace B. Burnham, Deputy Judge Advocate Gen., will proceed to Ukiah, Cal., on public business (3. O. 85, Oct. 25, D. California).

Adjutant and Inspector Generals

S. O. 65 and 66 are amended to read: Col. Chauncey McKeever, Asst. Adjt.-Gen., will proceed to Vancouver Barracks and Fort Townsend, W. T.; on the completion of which he will return to Vancouver Barracks, and from there he will proceed to Forts Spokane, Sherman, and Walla Walla, and then return to Div. H. Q. (S. O. 71, Nov. 2, Div. Pacific.)

Quartermasters and Subsistence Departments.

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Capt. John W. Pullman, A. Q. M., is announced as District and Disbursing Quartermaster of the District of New Mexico (G. O. 5, Nov. 8, D. N. M.)

Superintendent M. M. Jefferys is transferred from Alexandria, Va., to Grafton, West Virginia, National Cemetery, and Supt. Rogers from Grafton, West Va., to Alexandria National Cemetery (Q. M. G. O., Nov. 12).

Major A. S. Kimball, Q. M., is authorized to purchase a public horse (S. O. 119, Nov. 4, D. Ariz.)

Capt. Charles R. Barnett, A. Q. M., is relieved from duty in the Dept. of Columbia, and will transfer public funds and property for which he is accountable, to Capt. Win. S. Patten, A. Q. M. (S. O. 161, Nov. 1, D. Columbia.)

Major J. H. Belcher, Q. M. Dept., is relieved as a member of G. C. M., at Denver, Col. (S. O. 120, Nov. 9, Dept. Mo.)

Capt. L. E. Campbell, A. Q. M., is relieved from duty as Depot Q. M., at Fort Leavenworth, and as Asst. to the Chief Q. M. of the Dept. (S. O. 118, Nov. 3, Dept. Mo.)

Lieut. Col. Marshall I. Ludington, D. Q. M. Gen., will inspect damaged clothing, c. aud g. c., at Philadelphia, and for which Capt. John V. Furey, A. Q. M., is accountable (S. O., Nov. 11, H. Q. A.)

On his own application, after thirty years' service, Lieut. Col. Charles A. Reynolds, D. Q. M., is retired from active service Nov. 11, in conformity with Sec. 1243, R. S. (S. O., Nov. 14, H. Q. A.)

Leave for one month, to take effect on being relieved from duty at Omaha, is granted Major John P. Hawkins, C. of S. (S. O., Nov. 14, H. Q. A.)

Pay Department.

The leave granted Col. Daniel McClure, Asst. Paymr. Gen., New York City, is extended three days (S. O. 245, Nov. 15, Div. Atlantic).

Medical Department.

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The leave for seven days granted A. A. Surg. S. S. Turner, Fort Buford, is extended three days (S. O. 115, Nov. 7, D. Dakota).

Leave for one month, to take effect on or about Nov. 15, is granted Asst. Surg. Frank J. Ives, Fort D. A. Russeli (S. O. 113, Nov. 5, D. Platte).

Major Henry R. Tilton, surgeon, is relieved as member of the G. C. M. at Vancouver Barracks (S. O. 73, Nov. 7, D. Columbia).

1st Lieut. Guy L. Edie, asst. surg., will proceed to Fort Davis, and report for temporary duty during the absence of Asst. Surg. Black on detached service (S. O. 127, Nov. 5, D. Tex.)

1st Lieut. Freeman V. Walker, asst. surg., is re-lieved from duty at San Antonio, and assigned to duty at Fort Ringgold (S. O. 130, Nov. 8, D. Tex.)

During the temporary absence of Surgeon Tilton from the Presidio of San Francisco, Capt. Wm. E. Hopkins, asst. surg., will attend the sick at the Presidio, with the assistance of 1st Lieut. Henry I. Raymond, asst surg. (S. O. 87, Oct. 31, D. California.)

Capt. John J. Cochran, asst. surg., is relieved from duty at the Presidio, and will report to the Medical Director of the Division for temporary duty as his assistant, taking station in San Francisco (S. O. 69, Oct. 27, Div. Pacific).

Engineers and Ordnance Departments.

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Ist Lieut. Obelin M. Carter will proceed from New York City to Old Point Comfort, Va., on public business (S. O., Nov. 16, H. Q. A.)

Major Wm. R. King, C. E., will relieve Capt. John G. D. Knight, C. E., from charge of the construction of Fort Schuyler, N. Y. H. (S. O. 34, Nov. 16, C. E.)

Capt. Walter L. Fisk, C. E., is relieved from temporary duty in the office of the Chief of Eugineers, to enable him to comply with S. O. 239, A. G. O. (G. O. 12, Oct. 31, C. E.)

Leave for twenty-one days, to commence upon the completion of his examination for promotion, is granted 2d Lieut. David DuB. Gaillard, C. E. (S. O. 83, Nov. 19, C. E.)

Leave for twenty-one days, beginning on Dec. 1, is

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Leave for twenty-one days, beginning on Dec. 1, is granted lat Lieut. Harry F. Hodges, C. E. (S. O. 82, Nov. 5, C. E.)
Leave for twenty-six days, to commence on or about Nov. 5, is granted Capt. Eric Bergland, C. E. (S. O. 81, Oct. 27, C. E.)

Bignal Corps.

2d Lieut. Fred. R. Day, Sig. Corps, will proceed to an inspection of the Signal Service stations located thereat: Norfolk, Cape Henry, Wash Woods, Kitty Hawk, Chicamacomico, Hatteras, Raleigh, Wilmington, Southport, Columbia, Augusta, Charleston, Savannah, Jacksonville, Cedar Keys, Key West, New Orleans, Shreveport, Vicksburg, University, Mobile, Peusacola, Montgomery, Auburn, Atlanta, Chattanooga and Charlotte (S. O., Nov. 14, H. Q. A.)

THE LINE.

Changes of Stations of Troops and Field Officers Ordered, as reported to the Adjutant-General's Office during the week ending Nov. 12, 1887:

TROOPS. Bat. I, 2d Art., to Fort Monroe, Va. Bat. K, 2d Art., to Jackson Barracks, La.

FIELD OFFICERS. Lieut.-Col. D. R. Clendenin, 3d Cav., to Fort Ring-

old, Tex. Major R. F. Bernard, 8th Cav., to Fort Davis, Tex. Major S. B. M. Young, 3d Cav., to Fort McIntosh,

The Stations of Companies not mentioned here will be found by reference to last number of the JOURNAL.

1st Cavalry, Colonel N. A. M. Dudley

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Hdars, A. B. E. G. and K. Ft. Conter, Mont.; D. Ft. Maginnis,
Mont.; I., Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; F and H., Ft. Assimpliolize,
Mont.; M. Camp Shordan, Wyo.; C and L. Ft. Buford, D. T.

Leave for one month, to take effect on or about
Dec. 1, with permission to apply for an extension of
one month, is granted 2d Lieut. W. S. Scott (S. O.
119, Nov. 7, Dept. M.)

Capt. James Jackson, recruiting officer, will order
the members of the recruiting party of the rendezvous recently discontinued at Jersey City to proced to Newark, N. J., and report to 1st Lieut. Willlam H. Carter, recruiting officer (S. O. 189, Nov. 10,
Rec. Ser.)

2nd Cavalry, Colonel Nelson B. Sweitzer,

Hdgrs., B. E., F. G. and I. Ft. Walla Walla, Wash. T.; A and K. Presidio of San F. ancisco, Cal.; C and M. Ft. Bidwell, Cal. D. Boise Bks., Idaho; H. Ft. Spokane, Wash. T.; L., Ft. Sher-man, Idaho;

man, daho.

Leave for two months, with permission to apply for an extension of one month, is granted let Lieut. Daniel C. Pearson (S. O. 71, Nov. 2, Div. P.).

The C. O. Fort Walla Walla will send Vet. Surg. E. R. Forbes to Forts Spokane and Sherman to inspect the horses of Troops H and L (S. O. 162, Nov. 2, D. Calumbia).

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Capt. James N. Wheelan is detailed as a member of the G. C.-M. at Vancouver Barracks (S. O. 73, Nov. 7, Div. P.)

3rd Cavalry, Colonel Albert G. Brackett, Hdqrs., A, C, E, F, L, and M, Ft. Clark, Tex.; B and G, Saintonio, Tex.; D. Ft. Ringgold, Tex.; H, Ft. McIntosh, Tex.; and K, Ft. Brown Tex.

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Lieut.-Col. David R. Clendenin is relieved from duty at Fort Clark and assigned to duty at Fort Ringgold (S. O. 127, Nov. 5, D. Tex.)

Major S. B. M. Young is relieved from duty at Fort Hancock and assigned to duty at Fort McIntosh (S. O. 127, Nov. 5, D. Tex.)

Capt. James F. Simpson, having been found in capacitated for active service by an Army Retiring Board, is granted leave until further orders on account of disability (S. O., Nov. 12, H. Q. A.)

4th Cavatry, Colonel Chas. E. Compton (dqra., D, F, H, I, and K, Ft. Huachuca, Ariz.; A, E, and L, Lowell, Ariz.; C and G, Ft. Bowie, Ariz.; M, Ft. McDowell, E; B, Ft. Myer, Va.

The leave granted 1st Lieut. David N. McDonald is extended three months (S. O., Nov. 11, H. Q. A.)

7th Cavalry, Colonel James W. Forsyth. Hdqrs., C. D. G. and M. Ft. Riley, Kas.; B. F. I. K. and L. Ft. Meade, Dak.; E and H. Ft. Yates, Dak.; A. Ft. Keogh, Mont

Sth Cavalry, Colonut Elmer Otts. Hdqrs., A, C, B, F, and H, Ft. Davis, Tex.; K, Camp Del R Tex.; G, Camp Pena Colorado, Tex.; L, Ft. Hancock, Tex.; B, and M, Ft. Concho, Tex.; E, Camp at Eagle Pass, Tex.

B, and M. Ft. Concho, Tex.; E, Camp at Eagle Pass. Tex.
On the arrival at the Camp at Langtry, Tex., of
the detachment from Fort Clark, 1st Lieut. J. H.
King will join his station at Fort Hancock (S. O. 127,
Nov. 5, D. Tex.)
Major Reuben F. Bernard is relieved from duty at
Fort McIntosh and assigned to duty at Fort Davis
(S. O. 127, Nov. 5, D. Tex.)

9th Cavalry, Colonel Edward Hatch

Hdgrs., C. F. I. and K. Ft. Robinson, Neb.; A and G. Ft. Niobrars. Reb.; D and H. Ft. Mokinuer, Wyo.; M. Ft. Washatie. Wyo.; B and E. Ft. Du Cheene, Utah (Post-office address via Oura, Utah); L. Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.

Nov. 11. Troops D and H will stand relieved from further duty in the Dept. of Dakota, and will proceed to Fort McKinney, Wyo. T. (S. O. 116, Nov. 10, D. Dak.)

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Leave for two months, to take effect Dec. 9, is granted 1st Lieut. John F. Guiltoyle, Adjt., Fort Robinson, Neb. (S. O. 130, Nov. 10, Div. M.).

Leave for two months, to take effect upon the return of his troop from duty in the field, with p.r. mission to apply for an extension of one month, is granted 2d Lieut. James W. Benton, Fort McKinney, Wyo. (S. O. 130, Nov. 10, Div. M.)

Leave for two months, to take effect about Dec. 1, with permission to apply for an extension of two months, is granted 1st Lieut. Charles W. Taylor, R. Q. M., Fort Robinson, Neb. (S. O. 131, Nov. 12, Div. M.)

Div. M.)

A furlough for four months is granted Sergt. Bailey Green, Troop L (S. O. 131, Nov. 12, Div. M.)

At bis own request, 1st Lieut. Joseph Garrard is transferred from Troop H to Troop F, vice 1st Lieut. David J. Gibbon, who is transferred from Troop F to Troop H (S. O., Nov. 14, H. Q. A.)

Capt. John S. Loud will repair to Jefferson Barracks as a witness before G. C.-M., and after giving his testimony will return to Detroit (S. O., Nov. 14, H. Q. A.)

H. Q. A.)

Troops D and H have returned to Fort McKinney
from service in the field under Gen. Ruger at the
Crow Agency, Montana.

10th Cavalry, Colonel Benjamin H. Griers Hdgrs., Santa Fe, N. M.; E, F, K, and L, Ft. Grant. A. T., And D, San Carlos, A. T.; C and H, Ft. Apache, A. T.; I, Ft. erde, A. T.; B and G, Ft. Thomas. A. T.; M, Ft. Bayard, N. M.

verde, A. T.; Band G. Ft. Thomas. A. T.; M., Ft. Hayard, N. M. Capt. J. W. Pullman, A. Q. M., having reported for duty as District and Disbursing Quartermaster Capt. S. L. Woodward is relieved from the duties imposed upon him in that connection (S. O. 57, Nov. 8, D. N. M.)

1st Artillery, Colonel John C. Tidball.

Hdgrs, A, C, D, F, I, L, and K,* Presidio of San Francisco, Cal.; H and H, Alcatras Island, Cal.; E,* Vancouver Bks., W. T.; G, Ft. Monroe, Va.; M, Ft. Mason, Cal.

The C. O. Fort Monroe, Va., will issue a furlough

for three months to Corpl. Moses A. Gray, Bat. G (S. O. 243, Nov. 12, Div. A.)

2nd Artillery, Colonel Romeyn B. Ayre Hdqrs., G, and L, St. Francis Bks., Fiz.; A and E, Jattle Rock Bks., Ark.; B and H, Ft. Barrancas, Fiz.; C and D, Mount Vernon Bks., Aiz.; F. Ft. Leavenworth, Kas., I, Ft. Monroe, Va. K and M, Jackson Bks., La.

Hdgra, B.* D. E. G. and L. Ft. Adams, R. I.; A and C. Ft. Trumbull, Conn.: F. Ft. Snelling, Minn.; H and K., Ft. Warren, **Light battery.

* Light battery.

2d Lieut. J. D. Miley is transferred to the 5th Art.—
Bat. C, Fort Columbus (8. O., Nov. 12, H. Q. A.)

5th Artillery, Colonel Alex. Piper.
s. E. F. 1, and H. Ft. Hamilton, N. Y.; A. C. and L. Ft.
us, N. Y.; G. Ft. Monroe, Va.; B. Ft. Wadsworth, N. Y.
Douglas, Utah; K. and M. Ft. Schuyler, N. Y. D.* Ft. Dough

*Light battery.

2d Lieut. G. W. Gatchell is transferred to the 4th Art.—Bat. I., Fort Adams (S. O., Nov. 12, H. Q. A.)

Major Marcus P. Miller, Act. Ord. Officer of the Division, will transfer to the Act. Ord. Officer, Fort Columbus, N. Y. H., 1,000 rounds rife ball, calibre 45, small arm ammunition (S. O. 245, Nov. 15, Div. A.)

1st Infantry, Colonel William R. Shafter. Hdqrs., A, D, I, and K, Angel Island, Cal.; F and G, Benicia Bks., Cal.; C and E, Presidio of San Francisco, Cal.; B, Ft. Gaston, Cal.; H, Ft. McDermit, Nev.

Cal.; H, Fl. McDermit, Nev.

2nd Infantry, Colonel Frank Wheaton.

Hdgrs, A, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, I, and K, Ft. Omaha, Neb.

The Excelsior says: "Battalion drill took on a new phase this week by General Wheaton putting the companies under the ten junior officers, the battalion being commanded by a captain, with two other captains as field officers. The innovation was enjoyed by the younger officers who were given commands, as well as by those who were thus excused, and who constituted themselves a committee of critiques."

4th Infantry, Colonel William P. Carlin.
Hdgra. C, D, E, and H, Ft. Shorman, Idaho; A, B, F, 1, and
K, Ft. Spokane, Wash. T.; G, Boise Barracks, Idaho.
Lieut.-Col. E. C. Mason, I. G., Dept. Dakota, will
proceed on inspection service to Duluth, Minn. (S.
O. 115, Nov. 7, D. Dak.)

5th Infantry, Colonel George Gibson. Hdgrs., A, B, D, E, G, I, and H, Ft. Keogh, M. T.; F and K, t. Totten, D. T.; C. Ft. A. Lincoln, D. T.

2d Lieut. Frederick Perkins, Fort Keogh, is detailed to witness the issue of annuity goods to the Indians at the Tongue River Agency, M. T. (S. O. 115, Nov. 7, D. Dak.)

6th Infantry, Colonel Alex. McD. McCook.

Hdqrs., H, and I, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; A, B, C, D, and G, Ft. Douglas, Utah; E, Sait Lake City, Utah; F and K, Highwood, Lake County, Ill. (send mail via Chicago, Ill.)

Leave for one month is granted Col. A. McD. McCook (S. O. 120, Nov. 9, Dept. M.)

7th Infantry, Colonel Henry C. Merriam. dgrs., B. D. E., and F., Ft. Laramio, Wyo.; A and H., Camp te Butte, Wyo.; G and I., Ft. Washakle, Wyo.; C and K., Ft. Kinney. Wyo.

McKinney, Wyo.

Nov. 11, Co. C will stand relieved from further duty in the Dept. of Dakota, and will proceed to Fort McKinney (S. O. 118, Nov. 10, D. Dak.)

Co. C has returned to Fort McKinney from service in the field at the Crow Agency, Montans.

9th Infantry, Colonel John S. Mason. Hdgra, H. I. and K. Whipple Bka, A. T.; B, Ft. Thomas, A. T.; E, San Diego Bks, Cal.; C, Ft. Apache, A. T., A, Ft. Mojave, A. T., D, Ft. McDowell, A. T.; F, San Carlos, A. T.; G, Ft. Bowle, A. T.

G, Fr. Bowle, A. T.

The leave for one month granted 2d Lieut. Albert S. McNutt is extended fifteen days (S. O. 68, Oct. 25, Div. P.)

A furlough for five months is granted 1st Sergt. C. P. Gintear, Co. B (S. O. 119, Nov. 4, D. Ariz.)

10th Infantry, Colonel Henry Douglass.

dors., B. C. F. and I. Ft. Union, N. M.: A and E. Ft. Lyon, O.: G and K. Ft. Crawford, Colo.; D. Ft. Selden, N. M.; H. Carlos, A. T.

2.1 Lieut. John Adams Perry will return to his post (S. O. 70, Oct. 31, Div. P.)
1st Lieut. Frederick Wooley is appointed recruiting officer at San Carlos, A. T. (S. O. 121, Nov. 7, D. Ariz.)

11th Infantry, Colonel Richard I. Dodge. Hdqrs., A, D, G, H, and I, Madison Bks., N, Y.; E and K. Ft Niagara, N, Y.; B, Fort Wood, N, Y, H.; C, Ft. Ontario N, Y.; F, Plattsburgh Bks., N, Y.

Leave for three months, to take effect about Nov. 25, is granted 1st Lieut. Francis W. Mansfield (S. O., Nov. 14, H. Q. A.) 12th Infantry, Colonel Edwin F. Townsend.

Hdqrs., E, G, H, and I, Ft, Yates, D. T.; A, B, C, and D, Ft. ully, D. T.; K, Ft. Bennett, D. T.; F, Ft. A. Lincoln, D. T.

Sully, D. T.; K., Fr. Bennett, D. T.; F., Fr. A. Lincoln, D. T.

1st Lieut. William W. Wotherspoon, awaiting
orders at Utica, N. Y., will join his company (S. U.,
Nov. 14, H. Q. A.)

1st Lieut. Augustus G. Tassin is relieved from
command of Fort Wood, Bedlow's Island, N. Y. H.,
and will await orders in the city of New York (S. O.
246, Nov. 16, Div. A.)

13th Infantry, Colonel Robert S. La Motte. Hdqra, D, F, G, H, and I, Ft. Wingate, N. M.; K, Ft. Leaves-worth, Kas.; A and H, Ft. Bayard, N. M.; C and E, Ft. Stanton, N. M.

M.M.

14th Infuntry, Colonel Thomas M. Anderson.

Hdgra, B, C, D, E, F, G, H, and I, Vancouver Bra., Wash. T.:

A, Ft. Townsend, Wash. T., K, Ft. Klamath. Ore.

Co. I (Capt. G. W. Davis) is shortly to go from

Vancouver Barracks to Fort Leavenworth.

15th Infantry, Colonel Robert E. A. Crofton Hdqrs., E, F, G, and K, Ft. Buford, D. T.; A, C, D, and B, Pt. Randali, D. T.; B and I, Ft. Pembina, D. T.

The leave for seven days granted 2d Lieut. Marcus Maxwell, Fort Buford, is extended one day (S. 0 116, Nov. 16, D. Dak.)

1st Lieut. D. D. Mitchell is detailed for recruiting service at Fort Randall, vice 2d Lieut. Robert C. Williams, relieved (S. O. 116, Nov. 10, D. Dak.)

17th Infantry, Colonel Alexander Chambe, Hdgrs., A, B, C, E, F, G, I, and K, Ft. D. A. Bussell, W. D and H, Ft. Bridger, Wyo.

The extension of leave on Surgeon's certificate granted Col. Alexander Chambers is further extended six months on Surgeon's certificate (S. O. Nov. 12, H. Q. A.)

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18th Infantry, Colonel John E. Yard. Hdqrs., B, and D, Ft. Hays, Kas.; F, Ft. Leavenworth, Kas.; and I, Ft. Gibson, I. T.; G, H, and K, Ft. Riley, Kas.; A and E,

Denver, Colo.

Leave for one month, with permission to apply for an extension of one month, is granted 1st Lieut.

O. B. Warwick (S. O. 119, Nov. 7, Dept. M.)

The leave for one month granted 1st Lieut. William B. Wheeler is extended one month (S. O. 182, Nov. 15, Div. M.)

Private J. W. Fox, Co. F, committed suicide Nov.

14. Unrequited love is said to be the cause.

19th Infantry, Colonel Charles H. Smith. Hdqrs., San Antonio, Tex.; A, B, C, F, G, H, and K, Ft. Clark, Tex.; D, Ft. McIntosh, Tex.; E, Ft. Ringgold, Tex.; 1, Ft. Brown, Tex.

21st Infantry, Colonel Henry A. Morrow.

Hdgrs, A. C. E. and G. Ft. Sidney, Neb.: D and H. Ft. Bridger, Wyo.; B. Ft. J. and K. Ft. Duchesne, Utah (Post-office address via Ourar, Utah).

Leave for one month, with permission to apply for an extension of one month, is granted 1st Lieut. C. M. Truitt, Fort Du Chesne (S. O. 114, Nov. 10, D. Platte.)

22nd Infantry, Colonel Peter F. Swaine.
Hdqrs., A, B, D, G, H, and K, Ft. Lewis, Colo.; C, F, and I, Ft. Lyon, Colo.; E, Ft. Marcy, N. M.

23rd Infantry, Colonel Henry M. Black. Hidges, F. G. H. and J. Ft. Wayre, Mich.; A and B. Ft. Brady, Mich.; C and B. Ft. Porter, N. Y.; E and K. Ft. Mackinae, Mich. 2d Lieut. J. A. Dapray, A. D. C., will proceed to San Carlos and Fort Apache, A. T., ou public business (S. O. 120, Nov. 5, D. Ariz.)

Appointments, Promotions, Retirements, Transfers, Casualties, etc., of Commissioned Officers of the U.S. Army recorded in the Adjutant-General's Office during the week ending Saturday, November 12, 1887.

PROMOTIONS. PROMOTIONS.

Major George B. Dandy, Quartermaster, to be beputy Quartermaster-General, with the rank of ieutenant-Colonel, November 11, 1887, vice Reyolds, retired from active service.

Captain John V. Furey, Assistant Quartermaster, be Quartermaster, with the rank of Major, Noember 11, 1887, vice Dandy, promoted.

RETIREMENT.

Lieutenant-Colonel Charles A. Reynolds, Deputy Quartermaster-General, November 11, 1887 (section 1243, Revised Statutes).

Note.—No list was issued for the week ending November 5, 1887.

Military Academy.

The resignation of Cadet Horace G. Hambright, 4th Class, is accepted by the Secretary of War (S. O., Nov. 12, H. Q. A.)

Courts-martial.

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The following courts have been ordered:

At Portland, Ore., Nov. 17. Detail: Col. Wm. R. Shafter, 1st Inf.; Col. Nelson B. Sweitzer, 2d Cav.; Major Michael R. Morgan, C. S.; Major Henry R. Tilton, Surg.; Major John B. Keefer, Paym.; Major Samuel S. Summer. 8th Cav.; Major Michael R. Morgan, C. S.; Major Henry R. Tilton, Surg.; Major John B. Keefer, Paym.; Major Samuel S. Summer. 8th Cav.; Major Mernit Barber, A. A. G.; Major John I. Rodgers, 1st Art.; Major Edward Moale, 1st Inf.; Capt. John A. Darling, 1st Art.; Capt. Joseph K. Corson, Asst. Surg., and Lleut. Col. Horace B. Burnham, D. J.-A.-G., J.-A. (S. O. 70, Oct. 3l, Div. P.)

At Fort Reno, I. T., Nov. 7. Detail: Capts. A. E. Woodson and Jw. P. Hail, 1st Lieut. H. J. Goldman, 2d Lieuts. H. De H. Waite, J. M. Corson, Jr., S. H. Elliott, and J. M. Jenkins, 5th Cav., and 1st Lieut. A. C. Macomb, 5th Cav., J.-A. (S. O. 18, Nov. 3, Dept. M.)

At Fort Huachuca, A. T., Nov. 2l. Detail: Capt. Wirt Davis, 4th Cav.; Capt. Julius H. Patzki. Asst. Surg.; Capts. Abram E. Wood and Charles A. P. Haffield, 1st Lieuts. James Parker, R. Q. M., Fred Wheeler, James R. Richards, Jr., and James B. Kewin, Adjt., 2d Lieuts. Robert D. Walsh and James B. Rwin, Adjt., 2d Lieuts. Robert D. Walsh and James B. Rwin, Adjt., 2d Lieuts. Robert D. Walsh and James B. Ray ton and Capt. Leonard Hay, 9th Inf.; Capt. Liukard, J.-A. (S. O. 12l, Nov. 7). Ariz.)

At Whipple Barracks, A. T., Nov. 2l. Detail: Lieut. Col. George M. Brayton and Capt. Leonard Hay, 9th Inf.; Capt. Edward B. Moseley, Asst. Surg.; 1st Lieuts. Charles M. Rockefeler, James McB. Stembel, Adjt., and Charles M. Rockefeler, James McB. Stemb

ng)..

Army Boards.

A Board of Officers will convene at Fort Clark, Tex., Nov. 10, to report upon the qualifications of Private Bradley R. Lawrence, Troop E. 3d Cuv., for appointment as Post Q. M. Sergeant. Detail: Lieut. Col. William H. Jordan, Capt. Philip H. Remington, and 1st Lieut. Simon C. Vedder, 19th Inf. (S. O. 127, Nov. 5, D. Tex.)

Soldiers' Deposits.—The Second Auditor says, in letter of Nov. 8, 1887, to Paymaster General, U. S. A.: It having been siggested to me, unofficially, that the amendment to Sec. 1806. R. S., has been understood by some disbursing officers as authorizing the payment of interest on soldiers' deposits of less than fifty dollars, prior to March 3, 1883. I deem it proper to state that the accounting officers have construed said amendment so as to have it take effect from the date of its passage.

Arm Racks.—Troops in changing stations baving, in many cases, turned in their portable arm racks at the post instead of taking them with them, post commanders will report if there are any such arm racks at their respective posts, the number and kind of each, and whether any of the troops stationed at a post where there are such arm racks are unsupplied with them.

DEPARTMENT NEWS.

of Dakota.-Brig. Gen. T. H. Ruger

Dept. of Dakota.—Brig. Gen. T. H. Ruger.
Gen, Ruger having returned to St. Paul from his
campaign against the Crow Indians is reported as
expressing the opinion that there will be no further
disturbances on the Crow reservation this winter.
He further says: "Therewas an erroneous impression
conveyed by the despatches sent from the agency,
by which it was made to appear that 10 of our men
were wounded. We lost one corporal and had two
privates slightly injured, while the casualties among
the Indians were much greater. The removal of the
Indians to Fort Suelling means that they are merely
in the custody of the military authorities, awaiting
orders as to their final destination by the Secretary
of the Interior, and only those concerned in the firing into the trader's store on the night of Sept. 4,
were arrested. Separating them from their tribe
and families will have a very beneficial effect on
other Indians who might be inclined to act unruly.
All the settlers are convinced that there is to be no
depredations by the Indians."

TARGET PRACTICE, DIVISION MISSOURI.

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THE Division of the Missouri target record for 1887 is not yet completed. Our Chicago correspondent called upon the Inspector of Rifle Practice of that Division, and from returns on file at these headquarters is able to give the following statistics which are approximately correct:

Department Dakota.—All company reports received, except from Fort Buford. Approximately correct figures have been taken to supply the deficiency, and the following is the final result of target practice for the year 1887:

1887. 1886.

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Individual Figure of Merit	94.87	108.60
Skirmish " " "	38.29	39.9
Individual Figure of Merit Skirmish """ General """	66.58	71.7
The first ten companies in Individual		
D, 5th Inf 131.35 G, 3d Inf		108.50
K, 12th Inf 124 14 F, 12th I	of	107.74
H, 5th Inf 115.76 E, 1st Ca	V	107.37
K, 1st Cav 111.54 G, 1st Ca	V	106.67
A, 5th Inf 111.43 F, 5th In	f	106.67
GENERAL FIGURE OF M	ERIT.	
K, 12th Inf 99.99 G, 3d Inf		. 77.48
D, lst Cav 94.42 F, 12th It	of	. 76.77
F. 5th Inf 83.11 A, 5th It	of	. 76.00
H. 5th Inf 79.59 K, 1st Ca	V	. 75.65
K, 5th Inf 77.57 I, 5th Int	f	. 73.97
The 5th Infantry is the leading regis		

The 5th Infantry is the leading regiment in the Department in sil classes of firing and has a General Figure of Merit of 76.16; 3d Infantry next, 71.75. The lowest individual figure of merit in the Department is 58.72, Co. K, 25th Infantry.

Department Platte.—Final reports not yet received. The following figures are for the month of September, 1887: Individual figure of merit, 110.33; skirmish figure of merit, 47.47; general figure of merit, 79.20.

The first ten companies in standing are:

GENERAL FIGURE OF MERIT.

	Champa in acre	M A LOUGH	OR MANAGERS	
			A, 7th Inf	
			K. 7th Inf	
8.	I, 21st Inf	114.42 8.	C, 7th Inf	96.62
			H, 17th Inf	
5.	G, 21st 1nf	103.80 10.	G, 17th Inf	93.92

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1	. Department o	f the Platte	110.93	47.47	79.20
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8	. " 0	Dakota	94.87	88.29	66,56
4	. " 0	f the Missouri	92.92		
	The skirmish f	gure of merit of the l	Departn	pents of	Texas

The skirmish figure of merit of the Departments of Avamand Missouri has not yet been ascertained. This figure when known may possibly change the order of the three last-named Departments, but it is almost certain the Department of the Platte will retain its place.

Co. F, Zist Inf., stands first in the Division.

SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS.

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Mr. A. C. Ostermann, who for the past four years has been the efficient chief elerk of Capt. John Simpson in the Quartermaster's Department, was tendered a farewell party by a number of his triends Saturday evening, prior to his departure for Omaha. The event took place at Muth's pavilion, and was participated in by nearly every member of the clerical force engaged at military headquarters. The popularity of Mr. Ostermann could not have been more gracefully attested than by the warm and sincere expressions of regard uttered in his behalf by all present. Several pleasant speeches were made and then the guest of the evening was presented with a massive gold ring suitably inscribed. The occasion was a very pleasant one and a graceful compliment to a popular gentleman.

FORT OMAHA, NEB.

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THE Excelsior of Nov. 12 says:

Miss Maggie Gibson, of Spokane Falls, W. T., arrived on Friday, and will spend some time at the garrison, the guest of General and Mrs. Wheaton. Captain and Mrs. Ulio and Dr. and Mrs. Haskin gave a very pleasant and informal bop at the Post Hall, Wednesday evening.

The recent order issued by the department commander, organizing a board of officers to meet in Jenuary next to arrange the details for a camp of instruction for all the troops in this department to continue thirty days during the coming summer, is regarded by all as a step very much needed, General Crook with a party of friends is hunting bloomeders.

General Crook with a party of friends is hunting big game North of Douglas. Gen. Tom Wilson, U. S. A., was an Omaha visitor this week.

MAJOR-GENERAL TERRY has directed the com-manders of Forts Assimilation and Custer to make due trial of packing outfits for the Hotobkiss B. L. Mountain Gun Calibre 1.65, to be issued to them for

A New roster of the Recruiting Service, in compa shape, makes its appearance this week and is handy document,

(Corres oe of the Army and Navy Journal.) THE PRESENTATION TO GENERAL MILES:

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GEN. NEISON A. MILES with a party consisting of Major A. S. Kimbail, U. S. A.; Lleut. J. A. Dapray, U. S. A., aide; Dr. Leonard Wood, U. S. A.; Mr. Booth, Mrs. Gen. N. A. Miles, Mrs. Major A. S. Kimball, Mrs. Capt. G. E. Overton and Miss Stoneman (daughter of Gov. Stoneman) started from Los Angeles on the 7 A. M. train for Tucson, Arizona, this day to attend the reception and sword presentation tendered him by the citizens of Arizona and New Mexico. The railroads have made excursion rates and crowds are flocking there. The presentation occurs on Nov. 9, and it will be preceded and succeeded by various entertainments and festivities. The reception committee have been notified that Gov. Torres and his staff and other Mexican officials will participate.

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FORT LEAVENWORTH, KAS.

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The mess held its annual meeting Nov. 9. A resolution of thanks was offered Mr. L. C. Garrett of Kansas City for his generous donation of a beautiful steel engraving." Napoleon at Waterloo," for the mess parlors. The following officers were elected: Gen. McCook, president; Col. Pare, vice-president; Lieut. Wagner, sceretary, and Lieut. Barry, treasurer. The council consists of Col. Sanford, Major Burton, Capt. McArthur, Lieuts. Wilson, 2d Inf., and Finley, 9th Cay. Gen. Sheridan has approved the request of Gen. McCook that Co. I. 14th Inf., Capt. George W. Davis, come here to replace the company of the 18th Infantry sent to Denver, The company is stationed at Vancouver Barracks, and is officered as follows: Capt. George W. Davis, 1st Lieut. Frank Taylor, and 2d Lieut. Affred Hasbrouck, Jr.

The residents of the garrison were treated to something quite novel in the musical art at the hop room, Nov. 10, a concert and kinder simfonic, gotten up by Mrs. General Merritt. Those who participated executed their parts with artistic style and the encore given by the audience as caoh concluded his or her part was evidence of the appreciation of their work by the audience. The first on the programme was a duet, piano by Mrs. Captain Baboock and Lieut. Gurovitz. A song, "Genevieve," was next rendered by Lieut. Atkinson, who upon being encored sang "Marsuerette." Then came the kinder simfonic with the following orchestra: Mrs. Merritt, Mrs. McCook, Mrs. Sandford, Mrs. Rucker, Mrs. Almy, Mrs. Swift and Mrs. Dodge, with Mrs. Baboock at the plano. Messes. McCaw, Woodfulf, Reichman, Koops, Whipple, Beckurtes and Atkinson. Of this part of the programme Lieut. Gurovits and tenusion in the following orchestra: Mrs. Merritt, Mrs. McCook, Mrs. Sandford, Mrs. McCook, Mrs. Sandford, Mrs. McCook, Mrs. Sandford have programme Lieut. Gurovits and Reichman. Piano solo, Mrs. McCook, Mrs. Sandford have programme Lieut. Gurovits and Reichman. Piano solo, Mrs. McCook, Mrs. McCook have the sudience, and is a very fi

FORT ROBINSON, NEB.

THE Omaha Excelsior of Nov. 12 savs:

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Senator Manderson was a guest at the carrison last week.
Capt. Wilson moved to the new post Monday. Capt. Hughes
Tuesday. About Dec. 1, Lieut. Taylor intends to take a
breathing spell for three or four months. Capt. Williams,
7th Inf., o' Fort Laramie, was a visitor, Tuesday. Miss
Pierce, who has graced the garrison during the summer as
the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Capt. Winslow, left for Chicago,
Friday. Gen. Hatch and Lieut. Wilson are busy laying out
froat yards, a walk and a road at the new post.

The Crawford Crescent says:
Rumor has it that next year the whole of the 0th Cavalry
will be stationed here. If such a thing should occur, and it
is very probable, what a town it would make of Crawford,
and what a time it would be to start a building boom.

FORT DOUGLAS, UTAH,

A Fort Douglas correspondent writes:
Our soldiers of the 6th Infantry that have gone to Chicago have not a very delightful winter ahead of them. To leave the comfortable barracks of Fort Douglas to take up in tents the blizzard that runs across Lake Michigan is a good deal of a change. A brush with the anarchists would be a relief after a week of that experience. An officer says the rest of the regiment will be gradually sent to the new post at Chicago and Gen. McCook given the cummand.

COURT-MARTIAL CASES.

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Sergeant J. P. Smith, Company I, 34th Infantry, for, while on duty at Fort Sill in charge of marking at the target, signalling and causing and permitting to be signalled a greater number of "bulls-cyes" than was actually made, was sentenced to reduction, dishonorable discharge, and confinement at bard labor for two years. Gen. Merritt however reduced the period of confinement to eleven months. It is quite evident that to "monkey" with scores at target practice is, nowadays, quite a dangerous proceeding.

In the case of a soldier recently tried at Fort Schuyler. Major-Gen. Schofield says: "The proceedings, findings and sentence are disapproved, for the reason that the record falls to show that the prisoner was instructed as to his right to testify in his own behalf. His written statement appended to the proceedings lends to the conclusion that if he had been instructed as to his right in this particular, the testimony elicited might have been of a very material character."

In the case of a soldier recently tried at Fort Elitott. Tex.. for desertion, Gen. Wesley Merritt says: "The prisoner pleads guitty and in testifying in his own behalf states that he deserted while under the influence of liquor, and with intention to reture, remained in the vicinity of the post. The evidence shows that he has been in the Service eight years, and his company commander and two other officers testify to his excellent character as a solder during that time. A motion was made and overruled by the court to proceed as though the plea of "not guilty" had been entered. It is to be regretted that evidence was not introduced and the circumstances of the absence more fully ascertained. Subject to these remarks the proceedings are approved."

Corporal Joseph Dixon, Troop I, 10th Cav.. was recently tried at Whip'the Barracks for conduct prejudical, etc., the specification alleging that he "did state in the presence of citizens that bic saptain was a d-d old scoundrel and used to be an old drunken sot, that he sold the

correctness of the record. Therefore the proceedings so far as they refer to the consideration of previous trials and convections and the proceedings of the reconvened court are disapproved. In order, however, that the prisoner may not entirely escape the perialty of a fisgrant offence against good order and military disapplies the proceedings, findings, and sentence, with the exception above noted, are approved. Pvt. Wm. Johnson, Troop I, 10th. Cavalry, for inaugurating an incipient mutiny at, camp, near Baker's Butte, Aria, in July last, has been dishourcably discharged and relegated to the Military Prison at Fort Leavenworth for five years.

THE YELLOWSTONE PARK.

G. L. HENDERSON, in a recent letter to the Pioneer Press, says: "A few of the Montana papers have commented upon the severity and promptness of the military supervision within the Yellowstone Park, but fail to call attention to the fact that until a military supervision was instituted the park was not protected nor were the visitors so secure in person and property as they have been since the latter part of 1886, or since the park was put under the superintendency of Capt. Harris.

"It may be true that a military supervision is arbitrary and inconsistent with the spirit and character of our republican form of government, and that a tyrannous military dictator might succeed the present superintendent and undo all his work, still the Montana press has freely admitted that the administration of the political appointees heretofore in charge of the park have been 'bad, the worst, possible;' that the courts had been corrupt and were the willing instrument of the power to which they were subordinate; that fires had destroyed the forests and that hunters had exterminated the game; that extortionate fines had been imposed for trivial offences and that long and cruel imprisonments, in a remote territory, had been the sentence of a court without a jury trial, or the right of appeal from the judgment on the part of the accused. It is strange that they still urge a restoration of a government that was condemned for its cruelty, injustice, and its failure to protect either the park or the clitzen and the abolition of the Secretary of the Ist Cavalry, and acting superintendent of the Yellowstone National Park, has informed the Secretary of the Interior of the arrest of Wm. James, charged with being engaged in the robbery of the stage in the Park on July 4 last, His arrest was caused by the information that he had a French gold coin in his possession which a passenger on the stage had described as being among his losses on that occasion."

ESTABLISHING A NAVAL RESERVE.

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To the Editor of the Army and Navy Journal:

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My attention has been called to an article in your issue of Novembers, treaded." Revival of American Shipping." As a member of the Committee referred to in that article, I desire to say that the committee has no duty whatever in respect to the "Revival of American Shipping;" but has simply to further the establishment by Congress of "A Naval Reserve," which shall be to the Regular Navy, what the Militia is to the Regular Army, Neither of these two purposes should be complicated by connection with the others. As to the "Revival of American Shipping," no one has that important subject more at heart than the members of our committee; but we would all, perhaps, differ somewhat as to what means would be efficacious to that end.

what as to what means would be efficacious to that end.
Personally, I have no doubt that it is neither the constitutional power of Congress to establish a Naval Reserve as a means of providing for the common defence. I believe, too, that such an establishment would indirectly assist our shipping interests. As to the method of the "Shipping and Industrial League," as stated by Mr. Spofford, there are grave differences of opinion; and I very much doubt if the Congress can ever be persuaded to adopt it. Others are more sanguine.

Yours, very truly,
JAMES PARKER,
71 WALL STREET, NEW YORK, Nov. 14, 1887.

THE SOLDIER'S HOME.

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THE report of the Commissioners of the Soldiers' Home, Gen. Sheridan President, gives the number of inmates on the rolls Sept. 30 at 991, of which number 934 were regular, and 57 temporary. The balance of the permanent fund in the Trensury Oct. 1 was \$1.607.597. There has been expended during the year \$239,222.44 including \$65,000 for new buildings. In view of the expense attending the management of the Home, averaging \$230,000 on a revenue of only \$125,000, and of costly improvements that have yet to be made, the Governor recommends that all inmates having less than ten years' Army service be required to surrender their pensions while they remain in the Home; those of ten to fifteen years' service, two-thirds of their pensions, and those of fifteen to twenty years' service, one third.

BIRTHDAYS IN THE STRVICES. THE following officers of the Navy and Marine Corps celebrate their birthdays this week:

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C. W. Abbot, Pay Director	Nov	. 18, 1829	189
J. McCaffery, Boatswain	4.6	16, 1830	189
N. L. Bates, Med. Insp	60	16, 1857	1896
J. O'Kane, Captain	***	15, 1838	1900
J. O'Kane, Captsin. C. H. White, Surgeon	14	19, 1838	1900
S. D. Bootom, Chaplain	44	14, 1840	190
N. P. Towne, P. Asst. Engineer	66	18, 1841	1904
A. Walker, Lieut, Comdr.	94	18, 1845	1907
A. S. Snow, " "	86	18, 1845	1907
E. H. C. Leutre, Lieutenant	44	16, 1847	1900
C. H. Arnold, "	96	14, 1848	1910
Wm. M. Irwin.	64	13, 1849	1911
J. H. C. Coffin, "		14, 1849	1911
W. E. Sewell, **	40	16, 1851	1913
C. H. Bogan, Carpenter	85	16, 1852	1914
Lloyd Bankson, Cadet Engineer	66	14, 1857	1019
H. B. Scott, Asst. Surgeon	44	15, 1857	1919
J. B. Bernadou, Ensign.	60	14, 1858	
F. A. Huntoon, "	66	14, 1858	1920
J. M. Edgar, P. Asst. Surgeon	46		1920
W. Walsh, Gunner	84	18, 1858	1920
F. N. Ogden, Asst. Surgeon.	84	14, 1860	1922
H. P. Jones, Ensign	44	16, 1861	1928
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W. B. Remey, Colonel and J. A. G	46	18, 1840	1904
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NAVAL VESSELS IN COMMISSION. WHEN AND WHERE LAST HEARD FROM.

N. Atlantic Station-Rear Admiral S. B. Luce.

ATLANTA, 2d rate, 8 rifled cannon and 12 ma-ehine guns, Captain Francis M. Bunce. At New-port Nov. 18.

DOLPHIN, despatch boat, 1 gun. Comdr. George F. F. Wilde. At Newport, R. I., Nov. 18. She will soon be docked at New York, to receive a high speed screw in place of the one now attached to her.

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Galena, 3d rate, 8 guns, Comdr. Colby M. Chester. At Newport. R. I., Nov. 18. Expects to sail soon to Norfolk, Va., for repairs.

Ossiper, 3d rate, 8 guns, Comdr. W. B. Hoff. At Newport Nov. 18.

RICHMOND, 3d rate, 14 guns (f. s. n. a. s.), Capt. Robt. Boyd. Arrived at New York from Newport, R. I., Nov. 15, for coal.

YANTIC, 3d rate, 4 guns, Comdr. O. F. Heyerman. At Norfolk, Va. Will be repaired.

S. Atlantic Station-Rear Adml. D. L. Braine. Mails should be addressed to the care of the U. S. Consul, the de Janeiro, Brazil, unless otherwise noted, or care of B. F. Stevens, 4 Trafalgar Square, London.

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ALLIANCE, 3d rate, 6 guns, Comdr. Charles
McGregor. Arrived at Santos Nov. 8.

LANCASTER, 3d rate, 10 guns, (f. s. a. s.) Capt.
S. L. Breese. Sulled from Rio de Janeiro, Brazil,
Nov. 12, for Montevideo.

TAILAPOOSA, 3d rate, 13 guns, Comdr. F. W.
Dickins. Reported by cable to have arrived at
Buenos Ayres Oct. 10.

European Station—R.-Adml. Jas. A. Greer.
Mails should be addressed to care B. F. Stevens, 4 Trafalar Square, London, England, unless otherwise noted.

PENSAOOLA, 2d rate, 16 guns (f. s. e. s.), Captain George Dewey. At Alexandria, Oct. 19, to leave on Oct. 20 for Joppa and Berout. Will also visit Smyrna, Constantinople and Piraeus, and be at Genoa, Italy, about Dec. 8.

QUINNEBAUG, 3d rate, 8 guns, Comdr. W. M. Folger. At Alexandria, Egypt, Oct. 16. She was to meet the Pensacola at Genoa, Italy, about Dec. 8.

Pacific Station-Rear Adml. L. A. Kimberly fails, unless otherwise noted, should be addressed to care 8. Consul, Panama, U. S. C.

ADAMS, 3d rate, 6 guns, Comdr. Louis Kempff. Mail matter for the vessel should be sent to care U. S. Navy Pay Office, San Franisco, Cal. Has been despatched to Samoan and Tonga Islands to pro-

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Alert, 3d rate, 4 guns, Comdr. J. D. Graham. At Panama Oct. 30.

IROQUOIS, 3d rate, 7 guns, Comdr. Richard P. Leary. Expected at Paita Oct. 1. Ordered to visit Aufragro and Topalo Bampo, Mexico on her way to Mare Island Navy-yard.

JUNIATA, 3d rate, 8 guns, Comdr. G. T. Davis. At Honolulu, Sept. 30. last accounts. Address mail to San Francisco, Cal., care of Navy Pay Office. Monongarela, 2d rate, 9 guns, Comdr. S. H. Baker. Used as a store ship at Coquimbo, Chili. Mohican, 3d rate, 8 guns, Commander Benjamin F. Day. Address mail to San Francisco, Cal., care of Navy Pay Office. At Honolulu Oct. 20. Pinta, 4th rate, screw, 2 guns, Lieut. Comdr. John S. Newell. At Juneau, Alaska, Sept. 28. To sail for Sitka in a few days.

Thetis, 4th rate, Lieut. Comdr. W. H. Emory, Jr. Sailed from San Francisco, Nov. 13, for Sitka, Alaska.

Vandalla, 2d rate, 8 guns, (f. s. p. s.), Capt.

VANDALIA, 2d rate, 8 guns, (f. s. p. s.), (enry L. Howison. Was at Honolulu Oct. 23

Asiatic Station-Rear-Adml. Ralph Chandler. Vessel with (†), address, Mail General Post Office, Yoko-hama, Japan.

BROOKLYN, † 2d rate, 14 guns, f. s. a. s., Capt. Byron Wilson. At Nagasaki, Japan, Oct. 10, repairing boilers.

Essex, † 3d rate, 6 guns, Comdr. T. F. Jewell. At Nagasaki, Japan, Oct. 10. Would sail about Oct. 15 from Nagasaki for Ponapi, Caroline Islands, and then return to Manula.

MARION,† 3d rate, 8 guns, Commander Merrill Miller. Arrived at Panama, Nov. 1. Her officers and crew will be relieved by others, who leave liew York on the steamer of Nov. 10, and the vessel will rejoin the Asiatic station. Commander N. M. Dyer will reheve Commander Miller.

MONOCACY,† 3d rate, 6 guns, Comdr. Henry Glass. At Yokohama, Japan, Oct. 10. To survey bull.

OMAHA,† 2d rate, 12 guns, Captain F. V. Mc-Nair. At Chemulpo, Korea, Oct. 16. PALOS,† 4th rate, 6 howitzers. Lieut. Comdr. J. E. Craig. Left Nagasaki for Yokohuma, Japan, Oct. 10.

Apprentice Training Squadron.

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Jamestown, 3d rate, sails, 12 guns, Comdr.
Chas. J. Train. At Navy-yard, Norfolk, Va.
MINNESOTA, 1st rate, 24 guns, Captain T. F. Kane.
Receiving ship. Foot of W. 27th Street, North River.
Entrance from W. 26th Street. P. O. address, Station E, New York.
NEW HAMPSHIRE, 1st rate, 16 guns, sails, Receiving ship of training squadron. Commander F. J.
Higginson. Coaster's Island Harbor, Newport, R. I.

PORTSMOUTH, 3d rate, sails, 12 guns, Comdr. Edwin White. At the Navy-yard, New York, having slight defects made good, resulting from a recent collision. SARATOGA, 8d rate, 12 guns, Comdr. Charles H. Davis. At Norfolk, Va.

On Special Service.

Bosron, 2d rate, 8 guns, Captain F. M. Ramsay, At New York Navy-yard,

4th rate, Lieut. W. S. Cowles. DESPATCH,

At New York.

ENTERPRISE, 3d rate, 6 guns, Comdr. B. H. McCalla.

At the New York Navy-yard.

FORTUNE, tug, Lieutenant O. E. Lasher.

At New York Navy-yard undergoing repairs.

MICHIGAN, 4th rate, 8 guns, Commander H. F.

Ploking. At Erie, Pa.

NIESIO, 3d rate, 6 guns, Comdr. D. W. Mullan.

At New York Navy-yard.

RANGER, 3d rate, 4 guns, Comdr. F. A. Cook.

Sailed from San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 25. to resume her surveys on the coast of Southern California.

St. Mary's, sails, 8 guns, Comdr. A S.

Crowninshield. N. Y. School ship. At New York City.

TRENTON, 2d rate, 10 guns, Capt. N. H. Farquhar.

At New York Nuvy-yard receiving her new detail of officers and men. Some slight changes, the necessity for which was made apparent during the recent trip to Rio, are to be made in the machinery of the Trenton. The work will be done at New York. Receiving Ships, Iron-Clads, Etc.

Franklin, 1st rate, 26 guns, Capt. G. C. Wiltse. leceiving ship. At Norfolk, Va.
INDEPENDENCE, 3d rate, sails. 6 guns. Commander. W. Philip. Receiving ship. At Mare Issued Col.

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J. W. Philip. Receiving snip. At mare land, Cal.
RESCUE, 4th rate, Maie Samuel F. Lomax. Used as a fire tug. Washington, D. C.
ST. LOUIS, 3d rate, sails. Capt. H. B. Seely.
Receiving ship. League Island, Pa.
WABASH, 1st rate, 26 guns. Captain Joseph N.
N. Miller. Receiving ship. Bostou, Mass.
VERMONT, 2d rate, 7 guns. Capt. Wm. A. Kirkland. Receiving ship. At New York.
DALE, 8 guns. Commander Yates Stirling. Receiving Ship. At Washington, D. C.
PHLOX, Naval Academy Tug. Mate B. G. Perry in command. At Annapolis, Md.
MAYPLOWER. Mate H. Kuhl, commanding. At Norfolk. Norfolk.

The iron-clads Ajax. Catchill. Lehigh, Mahopac, Manhattan nd Wyandotte, are laid up at City Point, Va.

Swatara—At Portsmouth, N. H. Will probably be assigned to duty on the North Atlantic Station. Repairs have been completed and the vessel is ready for a steam trial. Chicago—At New York. Is getting ready for trial trip. It is expected that the steam trial of the Chicago will be made within ten days. Her dock trial is to be made sometime this week. The engineers to superintend the trial are now being detailed.

Kearsarge—At Portsmouth, N. H., being repaired. Will to the rendy for sea till about June, 1888.

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VARIOUS NAVAL ITEMS.

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THE Illustrated Naval and Military Magazine for November, contains illustrated articles referring to the Austrian and United States Navies.

THE Swedish Government has ordered a new ironclad, a sister boat to the Svea, at the Motala Shipbuilding Company, Sweden, where the Svea was built.

SEARCH is still being made for the missing British gunboat Wasp, or for some evidence of her loss. The Rattler has been sent to the Cocos Island, and other ships on passage from Singapore are making inquiries.

THE Light House Board has asked appropriations of \$2,167,000 for next year. The recommendation is renewed that a suitable building for the offices of the board, the exhibition of models and for experiments, etc., be erected in Washington at a cost of

\$210,000.

The marines of the barracks and from the Jamestown, Saratoga and Yantic engaged in a dress parade and battalion drill at the yard Nov. 11, under command of Colonel Thomas Y. Fleid, and presented a very attractive sight, which a large number of spectators enjoyd,—Norfolk Landmark.

Information is said to have reached the Ottoman authorities that a sailing-vessel is cruising in the Archipelago with a well organized band of 30 robbers on board. During the day time they either cruise about or cast anchor in some secluded bay, but at night they attack small localities on the different islands and plunder the inhabitants.

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The following yarn, attributed to a clergyman, appears in the London Daily News: The Lords of the Admiralty were down at Portsmouth inspecting the Vernon. The phonograph was turned on for their edification, and the first words this treasurer of vocal sound yieided to the eager ears of their Lordships were: "We want more pay, we want more pay." Upon investigation, it was discovered that this was the bottled-up voice of the lieutenants. This mode of petitioning for favors beats the round robin and the demand for phonographs will probably improve after this.

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The steel orules Baltimore is quite well advanced below the armored deck, which is nearly all in piace, and about a dozen frames are in place above the armored deck. Work on engine and boiler foundations is being pushed on as rapidly as possible. The condition of the engines, etc., of the Baltimore is not so well advanced as the hull, although it is believed that the engines and boilers will be ready by the time the hull is prepared to receive them. A large force of men is at work on this vessel.

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The Paymaster-General of the Navy has arranged with the Clvi Service Commissioners a scheme by which the Bureau of Provisions and Clothing can be provided with clerks of the \$1,000 grade who shall have pussed an expert examination. The plan is intended to benefit old paymasters' clerks who are specially fitted for bandling ships' accounts. An invitation will be extended to all persons who have served as paymaster's clerks to take the examination. It is thought that these old ship accountants, when once they get in the bureau, by reason of their familiarity with its business, will rapidly advance, and a short time'supplant the civilian clerks now engaged on the accounts of the Navy.

THE U. S. S. Tallapoosa arrived at Maldonado Nov. 17.

THE U. S. S. Alliance arrived at Maldonado Nov. 18.

It is estimated that \$4.500 will be required to repair the damage done the Portsmouth in a recent collision. The repairs will be made at New York.

CHIEF NAVAL CONSTRUCTOR WILSON has made a personal inspection of the Trenton at New York and finds that but slight repairs to her hull are needed.

The French man-of-war Boovet, Commandant Borel de Bretizel, of the French North Atlantic squadron, arrived off Canton, Baltimore, Md., Nov. 16.

The Admiralty have given orders to Her Majesty's ships passing the Crozet Islands, south of the Cape. to search for the shipwrecked crew of a French vessel. who have been on the island for some time, and whose whereabouts became known by means of an albatross being washed ashore with an account of the sufferings of the Frenchmen attached to it.

A Board of Survey, consisting of Capt. Remey, Naval Constructor Steele and Assistant Naval Constructor Bowles, has been ordered to inspect the Jamestown and Saratoga. It is thought that the amount required to put these vessels in seaworthy condition will exceed the 20 per cent. limit. This conclusion will facilitate the new vessels asked for to supercede them.

On Nov. 10 a draft of 97 men, accompanied by 15 officers, sailed from New York on the City of Colon on route for Panama, upon arriving at which place they will report on board the U.S. S. Marion. of the Asiatic Station, relieving an equal number, who will return North without delay, glad to exchange the scene of more than a three years' cruise for a look at the U.S. of America once more.

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ACCORDING to the Berlin Bureau of Statistics there are in the world the equivalent of 46,000,000 horse-power in steam engines, 3,000,000 being in locomotives. In engines other than locomotives the United States comes first with 7,000,000 horse-power; England next, with 7,000,000 horse-power; Germany, 4,500,000 horse-power; France, 3,000,000 horse-power, and Austria. 1,500,000. Four-fifths of the steam engines now in operation are said to have been built within the last 25 years.

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The Navy Life Boat Board has been waiting orders for some weeks. The last boat inspected was the invention of Dr. Parker. The boat was tried at Norfolk. The members of the board say it consists simply of a carriage top on a boat. There are places in the top through which the occupants can thrust their heads to make observations. The oars are run through sleeves at the side. The inventor claimed that the boat could be filled with water and thrown from a vessel, and it would right itself.

SURGEON GENERAL HAMILTON, of the Marine Hospital Service, reports that the yearly receipts from all sources were \$570.27, and the expenditures \$461.336 on account of the general service. The number of sailors treated was larger than in any year since the organization of the service, aggregating \$45.314. The Bureau's recommendation for the establishment of a National Sailors' Home in the District of Columbia is again renewed. The report reviews at length the yellow fever and quarantine questions.

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A NEW type of torpedo boat has recently been launched by Messrs. Yarrow and Co., of Poplar, for the British Admiralty. The new boat is both shorter and broader than former boats of the same class, her dimensions being 60 ft. long by 8 ft. 6 in. beam, against a length of 63 ft. and 7 ft. 4 in. beam in the older boats. On her trial trip she maintained an average speed of 17.147 knots being an increase of over half a knot as compared with that of the old boats. Another improvement is the turtle back which covers the forward part of the vessel, and is designed to throw off the sea, and under this is situated a cabin capable of accommodating about a dozen men. dozen men.

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ENGINEER IN-CHIEF MELVILLE, U. S. N., paid the New York Yard a brief visit on Friday of last week and expressed himself as well satisfied with the condition of affairs there in his department. While at the Yard he conveyed the impression that as soon as the plans for the motive machinery of the new line of battleship, soon to be begun at that station, are sufficiently advanced to be presented to Secretary Whitney for approval, orders will be given to proceed with preparations for their construction there without delay, for it is the opinion of the Chief of the Steam Engineering Bureau that work done at our Navy-yards is of better quality and cheaper in the end than the same kind done by contract in outside establishments. Should these powerful engines be constructed at the New York Yard, it will furnish employment for a larger force of men in the steam elapartment than at any time since the War. The work hitherto turned out from the shops at this Yard stand deservedly high and will bear comparison with similar manufactures in any part of the work has been made.

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world. Already some preparation for beginning work has been made.

The reports which continue to be received at the Navy Department as to the progress and status of the cruiser Charleston, at San Francisco, are of the most satisfactory description. and notwithstanding the disadvantages under which the contractors are laboring, in being so far romoved from the base of supplies, the work is in as forward a state, as that on the vessels in the East, directly at the doors of the factories and foundries where their material is prepared. The Charleston's keel was laid in the early part of August, and the first plating was in position and, rivetiag begun on the first day of September following. According to the last report received, the framing is completed, the outside plating is in place from the keel to the level of the protective defecting deck, and the various water tight bulkheads in the hull have been fitted in place and rivetted up, Four hundred men are employed upon this cruiser, and it isprobable that an increase will be made. The opinion expressed in these columns some months ago that the success of the experiment of building one of the larger cruisers on the Pacific Coast would demonstrate the homogeneity of the nation as nothing else could. At first the assumption that a steel war vessel could be constructed on the Pacific Coast would demonstrate the homogeneity of the nation as nothing else could. At first the assumption that a steel war vessel could be constructed on the Pacific Coast would demonstrate the homogeneity of the nation as nothing else could. At first the assumption that a steel war vessel could be constructed on the Pacific Coast would demonstrate the homogeneity of the nation as nothing else could. At first the assumption that a steel war vessel could be constructed on the Pacific Coast would demonstrate the homogeneity of the nation as nothing else could. At first the assumption that a steel war vessel could be constructed on the Pacific Coast would demonstrate the homogeneity of the nati

with considerable incredulity, and even in the office I Secretary Whitney some doubt was felt as to the utcome of the experiment of the construction of the Charleston. Material for Cruiser No. 5 has been refered, and work will soon be started upon her.

NAVY GAZETTE.

Ordered.

Nov. 14.—Captain C. M. Schoonmaker and Com-mander George W. Comn. as members of General Court martial at New York November 17. Lacutenant Wm. F. Low, to the Naval Academy November 20.

Lieutenant Wm. F. Low, to the Naval Academy, November 20.
P. A. Surgeon P. M. Rixey, to duty at Naval Dispensary, Washington. D. C.
Nov. H.—Surgeon Joseph G. Ayres, to Newport, R. I., and report for duty on the Galena, relieving Surgeon Frank L. DuBois, who will proceed home.
Nov. 1b.—Ensign Albert L. Key, to duty in the Bureau of Navigation.
Ensign A. W. Grant, to examination for promotion.

A. Engineer Horace E. Frick, to temporary on board the Chicago during the trial of her duty

machinery.
Nov. 17.—Paymaster J. F. Tarbell, to duty at the Boston Navy-yard November 29.

Detached.

Nov. 14.—Ensign C. M. McCormick, from duty in Bureau of Navigation and ordered to the Fish Commission steamer Albatross.

Nov. 11.—Lieutenaut Wm. F. Low, from the Saratoga and ordered to proceed home and await orders. Ensign Wm. J. Maxwell. from the Coast Survey and granted six months' leave, with permission to leave the United States and apply for extension of leave.

Nov. 15.—Ensign E. W. Eberle, from special duty in the Bureau of Navigation and ordered to the Al-

batross.

Nov. 18.—Ensign W. B. Fletcher, from the Albatross and placed on waiting orders.

Nov. 17.—Pay Inspector A. S. Kenny, from the Boston Navy-yard November 29 and ordered to the Bureau of Provisions and Clothing.

Leave.

Nov. 11.—Ensign James S. Brown, granted three conths' leave of absence

Revoked.

Nov. 14.—The orders of Lieutenant F. W. Coffin to the Albatross and ordered to the receiving-ship Wabash.

MARINE CORPS.

Nov. 16—Captain M. C. Goodrell, detached from the Brooklyn Marine Barracks and ordered to the Norfolk Marine Barracks, relieving Captain W. S. Muse who is ordered to the Brooklyn Barracks.

CASUALTIES.

Deaths reported to the Surgeon-General of the Navy during the week ending Nov. 16, 1887:

Alexander McIntosh, mate, died November 9, at Brooklyn, N. Y. Horace T. Davis, landsmau, attached to U. S. 8. Alliance, died September 21, at Rio Janeiro.

NAVY DEPARTMENT, WASHINGTON, Nov. 2, 1887.

Washington, Nov. 25, 1900.

The largely reduced appropriations for the Bureau of Equipment and Recruiting for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1886, demand the utmost economy of expenditure. Comminding Officers of squadrous and of vessels acting singly will exercise the greatest economy in its use.

Its use will be limited to occasions when dispatch is absolutely required, or to emergencies, but steam will never be used under the ordinary circumstances of cruising.

Whenever used, the necessity will be reported to the Department.

D. B. HARMONY. Acting Secretary of the Navy.

FROM THE EUROPEAN STATION.

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REAR-ADMERAL GREER reports, under date of Alexandria, Egypt, Oot. 19, that Sept. 25 the Pensacola and Quinnebaug left Gibraitar for Tansfer, Morocco, reaching there the same day. The Quinnebaug was given orders to visit. Oran, Algerta, rejoining the flagship at Algiers. Both vessels left Tansder Sept. 23, and the flagship at Algiers. Both vessels left Tansder Sept. 23, and the flagship at Algiers. Both vessels left Tansder Sept. 23, and the Quinnebaug was given orders to visit Bona, Tunis, and Trippoli, to meet the flagship at Alexandria, Egypt, by Oct. 20. The flagship arrived at Alexandria Oct. 12, and the Quinnebaug Oct. 18. From Commander Folger's report is appears that no American man-of-war has previously visited Oran; that the commercial interests are very large; that an on-iderable trade with the United States now exists and might be increased. Bona also has never been visited by an American naval vessel and the visit of the Quinnebaug was enthusiastically received. There is no Lighted States on allar agent at Tunis, "and," any Admiral Greer, "it would seem that, considering the changes in the Government now taking place, the United States should be represented in some manner. The increase of cholers in Stelly and lower Italy and the receipt of orders to send the Pensacola home, the Admiral decided to lower Smyrna, upon his return from Constantinople, Nov. 25, instead of Nov. 25 and then proceed direct to Genoa, touching only at Firacus on the way. The Owinnebaug was to visit Sataka, Alexandria, and such other Syrian ports, where there are American missionaries, as time will permit, between Oct. 20 and Nov. 5, on which date slie was to Join the flagship at Sunyrna. The health of the squaror continued good.

NORTH ATLANTIC STATION.

U. S. FLAGSHIP RICHMOND. (2d Rate), NEWPORT, R. I., Nov. 12, 1887.

THE following results of the recent team practice of the ships of the squadron are published for the information of all bonceroed. The teams consisted of fifteen men from the Richmond, twelve from the Atlanta, the each from the Ossipte and Galena, and five from the Dolphin. The practice was all under the direction of Lieux. Narc, of the Richmond, with Ensign. Knepper, of the Ossipte, to assist him. The weather was generally cold during the practice, owing to the advanced season, and there was generally a good deat of wind. The practice began on Oct. 24 and concluded Nov. 9; the firing at 200 and 200 yards being carried out at the range at Fort Adams; and that at 500 vards from a boat anchored off Rose Island at a target elected on that island.

Merit.	Ship.	Per Cent.	Per Cent. 300 yards.	Per Cent. 500 yards Slow Firing.	Per Cent. 500 yards Rapid Firing.	Per Cent.
2 8 4 5	Ossipee. Galena. Dolphin Richmond Atlanta.	50.5 46.9 48.7 49.7 42.3	39.7 39.7 42.6	38.2 44.5 38.0 30.8 30.7	23.0 21.0 23.0 17.0 14.6	43.8 88.9 38.1 37.9 31.2

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The per cents of the different teams were multiplied by these coefficients, and the three results were active. As the 500 yard range, before applying the coefficient, the deliberate and rapid firing averaging were equalised; there being twice as many shots fired at the lutter range, it was given double weight, and then averaged with the deliberate firing.

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The following are the best scores in each ship at 200 and 300 yards:
Ossipcs. 200 yards.—W. P. Hollingsworth, 13s; J. Turner, 13s; J. M. Falvey, 12s. 300 yards.—W. P. Hollingsworth, 21s; J. Magee, 17t; J. M. Falvey, 160.
Galena. 300 yards.—W. S. Merriweather, 146; C. H. Jackson, 169; W. Shaugnessy, 162. 300 yards.—W. Shaugnessy, 168; W. S. Merriweather, 185; C. Petterson, 130.
Dolphin, 200 yards.—W. McBride, 111; J. J. Jordan, 107; G. A. Ward, 8s. 300 yards.—J. J. Jordan, 202; G. A. Ward, 127; John Johnson, 30.
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128; J. J. Finnersu, 159.
Alianta, 200 yards.—F. Johnson, 165; W. H. Eckley, 159; J. J. Finnersu, 159.
Alianta, 200 yards.—P. Johnson, 146; C. Le Blane, 130; C. W. Bastian, 121.
Best possible at 200 yds., 200; at 300 yds., 300.
S. B. Louz, Itear Admiral, Commanding U. S. Naval Force, North Atlantic Station.

ce of the Army and Navy Journal.)

ANNAPOLIS NOTES.

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ANNAPOLIS, Nov. 18.

Os Tuesday, the lith, the Admiral of the Japanese Navy, the Vice Sceretary, and the admiral's staff, paid an official visit to the Academy. A salute of It guas was fixed and the usual courtesies extended. The visitors looked into the cadets' quarters, the recitation halls, etc., and at four o'clock witnessed the furantry battalion at its drill.

The band played in the gymnasium on Saturday evening, and a number of cadets improved the opportunity to practice dancing for the coming hops. Only one more of these "stags" will be given and then the hop season commeuces. At present the interest of the cadets and most of the officers is centred in the foot ball team for this season. The Academy has a very small number of students, only 225; less than any college or. academy that pretends to play foot ball. These cadets enter at age's tween fourtees sinderinteen, the maximum below the average age of a college student. They do not have a minute, in the day when they can assemble for practice and go on to the field, except on Saturdays after a hard morning's drill. In spite of these driw, backs the Academy always turns out a good team and one able to cope with college teams, barring the large universities. It is thought that the team this year is composed of heavier, quicker, and more beintific players than ever beford. Each game played with the second team and won easily by a score of 36 to 0. On Saturday the second game was played with the second team and won easily by a score of 36 to 0. On Saturday the second game was played with the second team and won easily by a score of 36 to 0. On Saturday the second game was played with St. John's College, and was easily won by the cadets, the score being 24 to 0 in an hour's game. The value of the distance of the order of the college team. Collided with Cadet Fernmer and had his nose broken. When the game closed Cadet Patton had just carried the ball between the game joats abd would have added stx points to the score. If

Is a letter to the Buffalo News, Frank G. Carpenter says: "Gen. Grant's wonderful success in the way of war writing has led Gen. Sheridan to try his hand, and he is now engaged upon a book of reminiscences. In this book he will treat of his personal history and war experiences, and it will, I doubt not, add to the reliable histories of the great Rebellion. Mrs. Gen. Logan tells me that the Logan books are selling very well." The letter is headed by a picture of General Sheridan writing at his desk. Mr. Carpenter reports that 30,000 copies of Logan's Great Conspiracy were, sold up to September last and 15,000 of "The Volunteer Soldier,"

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THE COMING CONGRESS.

Two weeks from Monday next the Fiftieth Congress will convene and organize. This being the long session, and on the eve of a Presidential campaign year, many important subjects will be brought up, much discussed, and, since history is expected to repeat itself, laid over for action by future sessions. Although the session opens on the 1st of December no business to speak of, beyond the organization of committees, will be transacted until after the holidays. The organization of the Service committees is therefore the first event of interest to our readers. Representative Wheeler, of Alabama, it is supposed, will be designated to preside over the House Military Committee. At any rate that is his desire, and being better posted and more interested in Army matters than any of the few remaining members of last year's committee, his selection would be particularly agreeable to General Sheridan, and, it is believed, to the Army generally,

Mr. Herbert will no doubt be reappointed chairman of the House Naval Committee, and in that position will be able to put to good use some of the observations in naval matters he made during his European trip this past summer. As to the further organization of these two committees it is useless to speak until the preparation of the slate by the Speaker is commenced.

The two committees of the Senate will stand, with but few exceptions, about as they did last year. The chairmanship of the Military Committee rests between Senators Hawley and Manderson, either of whom would be acceptable to the Army; Mr. Manderson especially so, in view of the measures he has in view for the benefit of the Service. Being one of the junior members, in point of service, his chances are not considered so good as those of Senator Hawley, who stood number three in last year's committee.

Senator Chandler will no doubt be placed on the Committee on Naval Affairs, and with the experience acquired while at the head of the Navy Department may be expected to take a leading part in debates upon naval matters, both in the committee and in the Senate.

From the annual reports published, it can be seen, in a general way, what features of legislation will be urged for the benefit of the two Sarvices this coming session. An urgent demand is again made for an increase in the enlisted strength of the

extension of the disability retired list; the rehabilitation of sea sea-coast defences; the adoption of a new code of punishments for all military offences and other amendments to the Articles of War; an increase of pay for the soldier, and many other features of less general importance. The publication of the Revised Army Regulations will require an appropriation; an increase in the Pay Corps will be asked for as necessary to the extension of the system of monthly payments; a liberal appropriation will be required for the construction of the new post at Chicago and for continuing work at the Fort Riley Cavalry and Artillery School, and at the several other large posts now being established to conform to General Sheridan's ideas of concentration.

A strong effort is to be made by the officers interested to obtain a rearrangement of the grades of officers in the Subsistence Department on the basis of that adopted for the Adjutant-General's Department. An effort will also be made to correct the anomaly in the office of the Judge-Advocate General. Another attempt is to be made to annul the order of the Secretary of War limiting the tour of staff officers to four years. An improvement in the artillery, a subject that has received considerable attention during the past summer, will be strongly advocated, and since the factions are all united it is possible that something may be accomplished in this direction.

In the Navy the demand will not be so much for appropriations as for improvement of the personnel. The liberal appropriations during the past two years will be sufficient to keep the present improvements in the way of ship and gun construction in progress for at least another year. Thus more time will be left for debate upon matters of special legislation. Mr. Whitney's illness, it is thought, will prevent his pushing, with the energy he promised, the reorganization scheme which created so much interest last year, but it is understood that Representative Herbert has in contemplation a modification of the old bill, which he proposes to bring forward during the early days of the session.

A pay bill, it is said, is being prepared by officers of the line which has for its purpose an equalization of pay with that of the Army. The appointment of assistant chiefs of bureaus, an increase in the number of paymasters, promotion for assistant naval constructors, and an increase in the number of engineer officers are among other items of legislation that will be urged.

It is hoped that the appropriations for the next fiscal year will be made in a lump sum. Under the consolidation system this change is absolutely necessary. Keeping accounts with seven bureaus is a herculean task, and one highly distasteful to the officers in charge of the business. If supplies are appropriated for without regard to bureaus, then but one transaction will be required in all purchases. Transfers of funds from the various bureaus will not be required, and the number of accounts will be greatly reduced, thereby simplifying the system. The Surgeon General of the Navy is preparing a bill for the improvement of the Medical Corps, in the hope of securing desirable young physicians to recruit it. Chief Naval Constructor Wilson has fallen into line with Commodore Schley, chief of the recruiting bureau, and together they will, with the aid of the Secretary, endeavor to obtain an appropriation for the construction of two modern composite cruisers for the training squadron. As to the case of the cadet engineers, an officer in a position to know says that Secretary Whitney, while he thinks their claim is a just one, does not think he should take action in a matter disposed of by his predecessor.

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WE publish elsewhere the G. O. recently published by Admiral Luce announcing the results of target practice in the North Atlantic Squadron. It suggests the inquiry whether greater attention might not be profitably given in the Navy to target firing with small arms, howitzers, machine guns, etc., and whether a camp might not be established somewhere, say Gardiner's Bay, to which place ships could repair in turn and receive systematic instruction from officers and assistants, de-Army; the enlargement of the infantry arm; an tailed to remain at this camp the entire season. A

bay or enclosed waters of some similar nature is a necessity on account of the too frequent interruptions where there is much traffic. Then at the close of the season competitions could be had between selected men from such vessels as could be brought together for this purpose, as well as for other autumnal drills similar to those inaugurated by Admiral Luce at Newport. Of course a further step and one in natural sequence would be the selection of gun captains from the best shots for the great guns aboard the vessels. What a glorious chance for Commodore Sicard's gunnery ship to be commissioned and lead the way in all these matters of gunnecy.

WE take great pleasure in publishing the letter which follows. It bears feeling testimony to one of those unnumbered acts of kindness for which we are indebted to the Medical Corps of the Army, and which do not receive the recognition they so well deserve. The letter is one that does credit to the writer as well as to its subject.

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FORT HAYS, KANSAS, Nov. 13, 1887.

To the Editor of the Army and Natry Journal:

WHILE on duty as cook in the camp of competitors at Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, in 1885, I received an injury to my right eye that finally, during the month of May, 1887, caused the loss of the sight of said eye, Becoming thoroughly convinced of the awful results attending said accident, I finally determined to consult Major E. B. Fryer, surgeon, U. S. A., now in Kansas City, on sick leave. Obtaining the creasary permission, I went to Kansas City. I consulted the gentleman, and he kindly consented to perform the operation necessary to restore my sight. The success attending the operation expected my most sanguine expectations, and I now have the use of my eye once more. Being unable to compensate this gentleman for his uniform kindress, untiring energy, and the dovotion of his time and skill in my behalf is the reason why I now petition you to spare me the necessary space in your valuable journal to publicly convey my heartfelt thanks to Major E. B. Fryer. Congue cannot tell, language cannot express the praise due the gentleman mentioned. May he always be as successful his professional endeavors is the enrest wish of your Leonard Kempenar.

Private Co. D. 18th U. S. Infantry.

MR. EDWARD WESTON, the electrician, sees Lieu tenant Zalinski and goes him better. He is quoted as saying: "It is well-known that the nitrate of amyl possesses the power of causing insensibility very quickly in a human being breathing its fumes. The effect is equivalent temporarily to a paralytic stroke. Now, nitrate of amyl is very cheap and plentiful. I propose to fire shells filled with this chemical instead of gunpowder. It will not be necessary to penetrate a ship. A few gallons of this nitrate dashed on the deck of a warship, would soon render her crew helpless. The most powerful ironclads would be even more vulnerable than the light cruisers, for they would be sucking down great draughts of air through their artificial ventilators, and the odor would thus rapidly permeate the whole ship. The whole crew being rendered helplss for an hour or two, the ship could, of course, be towed into a safe spot, while the captors ventilated her and removed the insensible men.

THERE is a good prospect now that there will be an enthusiastic centennial celebration in New York city in 1889 of the inauguration of of George Washington as first President of the United States. The idea is that the thirteen States which formed the American Union originally, should send representa-tives to make arrangements for the celebration, that everything should be entirely in the hands of the representatives of these thirteen States, and that representatives of the other States of the Union and of foreign countries should be their guests.

AT a military gathering at Berlin, held in honor of the veteran von Moltke's 87th birthday, he said:
"The next war will be above all a war in which strategic science and the art of commanding will play the greatest part. Our campaigns and our victories have taught our enemies, who, like us, have numbers, armament and courage. Our strength will lie in the handling, in the commandment-in a word, in the Headquarters' Staff, to which I have devoted the last days of my life. Our enemies may envy us this force, but they do not possess it."

LORD RIBBLESDALE, in a speech recently delivered in the House of Lords, drew attention to England's inadequate supply of Army horses. He pointed out, for example, that an army corps in England which ought to be provided with nearly 23,000 horses is under the present system only furnished with 13,000, of which probably 20 per cent. would, in the event of any sudden emergency arising, be found unfit for action. During the discussion, the fact was brought out that there were in the year 1886 something like 2,000,000 horses in the United Kingdom, but that the pick of these for army purposes were being constantly snapped up by the French and German Governments. Statistics show that Russia possesses in herself a reserve of 28,000,000 head of corse, Germany 4,000,000, Austria 3,500,000, and France 3,000,000. The census of 1880 showed a total German Governments.

of 10,357,486 horses in the United States, and we no doubt now have more than Germany, Austria, France, and England together, Russia alone ex-

In his annual address at the sixteenth annual s sion of the American Public Health Association, Major Geo. M. Sternberg, Surgeon, U. S. A., said: "One thing appears to me to be thoroughly demonstrated by the experience of the past, namely: That a central health board, to be efficient, must be attached to one of the departments of the Government now in existence, so that it may be under the protection of a Cabinet officer. It would be useless to ask at the present time that the sanitary interests of the country may be represented by an additional Cabinet officer, a minister of public health, although there can be no doubt that the interests involved are sufficiently important to justify such an innovation. But we may at least demand that the sanitary interests of the people of the United States shall receive the same consideration from the National Government that is accorded to the educational interests, the agricultural interests, etc. We may at least ask for a bureau of public health, with a com-missioner at its head, and with the necessary secretaries and clerical force to make it efficient; and attached to such a bureau should be a well equipped laboratory in which expert bacteriologists, che and sanitary engineers should be employed in the experimental investigation of unsettled sanitary problems, such as the natural history of discus germs, the best methods of destroying them, protective innoculations against infectious diseases, problems in sanitary engineering, such as the disposal of sewage, domestic sanitation, etc.; food adulterations, and a variety of other questions of equal importance, which will readily occur to you." In connection with this bureau of public health he recommends the establishment of an advisory board

THE Joint Commission on the fishery controversy between the United States and Great Britain, or rather between this country and the Dominion of Canada, was to meet and complete its organization in Washington this week. The foreign commis-sioners are the Right Hon. Joseph Chamberlain, representing the Imperial Government. Sir Charles upper, representing the Dominion Government although nominally a representative of the Imperial Government—and James B. Angell and William Putnam, representing the United States. The foreign commissioners will be accompanied by and have the assistance of J. S. Winter, an agent of the Dominion Government. The retallatory measures against Canada authorized by Congress have not met with the approval of the administration and this commission has been organized under the treaty making power lodged in the Executive, Congress having declined to accept the President's suggestion that he should receive its approval of this action in advance.

LIEUTENANT-COLONEL CHAS. A. REYNOLDS, Deputy Quartermaster-General, U. S. A., who was retired at his own request, November 11, is a Baltimorean and will, most likely, take up his permanent residence in that city. He served during the Mexican War as an enlisted man in Co. F, of the District of Columbia and Maryland Battalion of Infantry, and in 1855 one and Maryinda Battanon of Inlantry, and in 1800 entered the Regular Army as a 2d Lieutenant of the 9th U. S. Infantry. In 1861 he was appointed to the Quartermaster's Department and attained his present grade April 9, 1885. His retirement promotes Major G. B. Daudy to Lieutenant-Colonel and D. Q.-M. G., and Captain J. V. Furey to Major and Q. M. A glance at the record of these two gentle men will show that promotion in the staff departments is not of that quickness which so many imagine it to be.

In August, 1885, during the obsequies of General Grant, General Lloyd Aspinwall, acting as Major General Hancock's chief of staff for the occasion ordered Charles W. Dickel and Co., proprietors of a riding academy in New York City, to furnish horses to be used in the funeral procession. They were furnished, but not paid for. General Aspin-wall having died, Dickel and Co. sued his estate, and, in the Supreme Court, before Chief Justice Sedgwick and a jury, November 11 a verdict in their favor for \$314.30 was rendered. The defence was that the U. S. Government should pay for the horses.

ADJUTANT-GENERAL DRUM has convened a Board to consist of Col. John C. Kelten, A. A. G.; Lieut. Col. Oliver D, Greene, A. A. G., and Lieut.-Col. H. Clay Wood, A. A. G., to meet at the A. G. O. to determine what classes of letters should not, in the future, be entered on the official Letter Books, distinguishing between letters of mere inquiry which once answered have absolutely no value, and those which it might be advisable to retain temporarily on informal files. The Board is also to consider

what papers and records might be disposed of a

In connection with the statement which appeared in the Journal some time ago concerning the con-demnation of an important casting for one of our new cruisers, we call attention to the following extract from the report of Engineer in Chief Melville, showing in detail the changes in designs and progress of the work on Cruiser No. 3, being built by sers. Cramp and Sons:

The east steel main crank shaft pillow block frames to be cast in four parts for each engine instead of two, on account of the difficulty of casting. Crank shaft pillow block frames changed to facilitate castings, the first castings having been condemned as defective. Crank shaft pillow block frames again changed to facilitate castings, the second attempt of casting having failed.

Ir is learned at the War Department that of the non-commissioned officers who hold certifi-cates as "caudidates for promotion," will shortly re-ceive appointment as 2d lieutenrats. It is now conidered likely that all the successful caudidates will receive commissions before July next. The Fort Monroe Board has not yet reported in the cases of the two candidates who were unable on account of sickness to appear with the other men for examination.

An officer of the Army, travelling abroad, writes :: "I have been watching the Italian troops start for Africa. They are well prepared for field service. Their uniforms and equipments are well adapted to service in a bot country."

"What kind of foliage do you consider the most pleasing?" asked the Professor of Botauy at West Point of a student. "Leaves of absence," was the reply of the bomesick cadet.

RECENT DEATHS.

BREVET BRIGADIES-GENERAL WILLIAM MYSRS, Lieut.-Colonel, U. S. A., retired, who died Nov. 11, at New York, of Bright's disease, entered West Point from Pennsylvania in 1818, was graduated in 1852 and promoted to the 5th Infantry. He afterwards served in the 4th and 9th Infantry, and 10 1861 was appointed a Captain and Assistant Quartermaster on the staff. From 1862 to 1866 he was Colonel of the staff and an A. A. D. C. For his faithful services during the War he received the brevet of Brigadier-General of Volunteers and of Major, Lieutenant-Colonel, Colonel and Brigadier General in the Regular Army. In 1881 he attained the grade of Lieut ant-Colonel and Deputy Quartermaster General and was retired March 15, 1883, at his own request, having served over thirty years.

PROFESSOR E. A. ROGET, U. S. Navy, retired, died at Annapolis, Md., Nov. 0, aged eighty-six. He was appointed from Rhode Island in 1864, and held the lative rank of commander. The funeral took place Nov. 11.

The death is announced at Tel-el Kebir, November 17° of Baker Pasha, better known perhaps as Col. Valentine Baker, formerly of the British army. Col. Valentine Baker was born in 1835, was the younger brother of Sir Samuel Baker, entered the Brirish army August 1, 1848, and served through the Eaffir war of 1852-8 and in the Crimea in 1855. He was known as a brilliant cavalry officer and a fine tactician, and was appointed in 1874 Assistant Quartermaster-General at Aldershor. The year after, however, he was dismissed from the service for ungen-lemanly conduct to a lady in a railway carriage. If began his military career anew in 1877 in Turkey, organizing the gendarmerie and being given the fittle of major-general. He was a brave officer of fine attainments, and very many would have been very glad of his re-instatement in the British army, but all efforts to that end were unavailing.

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THE San Francisco Occident, referring to the recent death of Mrs. Blake, wife of Chaplain C. M. Blake, U. S. Army, retired, says: "She was the oldest daughter of Daniel and Charlotte Farrington, Beq., of Brewer, Me. Her maternal ancestors, Thomas and Joseph Rogers, grandson and great-grandson of the Rev. John Rogers, the martyr, came in 1620 in the Mayflower, and their numerous descendants have ever kince Icoked back to Eastham, on Cape Cod, as their earliest American home. She was a pattern of daughter, maiden, wife, mother, and grandmother. Quiet, modest, refined, very affectionate to her friends, and full of good works, she enjoyed the approval of conscience, the love of her family, acquaintances, and the smiles of her Father in Heaven. Her stricken family mourn for her full of the cheering hope of immortality."

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THE Hon. Cullen Sawtelle, father of Gen. Chas. G. Sawtelle, U. S. A., who died Nov. 10 at Englewood, N. J., in the 85d year of his age, was born in Norridgewock, Me., and was graduated from Bowdoin College in 1825. Then he began to study law, and four years afterward was admitted to the Bar. For eight years he was a Hegister of Probate. In 1845 he was elected State Senator, and from 1845 to 1847 and from 1849 to 1851 he represented adistrict of Maine in Congress. He was also connected for some years with the Quartermaster's Department in New York City and Governor's Island. The funeral took place at Englewood on Sunday, and was largely attended by relatives and old friends.

Mrs. Mary Lawrence Rednond, who died a Newport, R. I., Nov. 11 was a daughter of the lat-William Preston Gwille, of New York, and a grand-

daughter of Captain William Lawrence, U.S. N., of immortal memory, who died at Halifax, N.S., July 5, 1813, from wounds received in the famous action between the Chesapeake and the Shannon.

COLONEL ROGER G. COLE, who died suddenly at Savanuah, Ga., Nov. 7, was born in Virginiu, was graduated from the Military Academy in 1850, and promoted brevet 2d lieutenant, 5th Inf., and afterwards served in the 8th Inf. He was promoted lat lieutenant, Sept. 4. 1856. He resigned Jan. 23, 1861, and joined the Confederate Army.

CAPTAIN WALTER W. SMITH, who died in Savan-nah recently, was a noted privateersman during the war, and at one time was in Fort Lafayette un-der sentence of death for piracy. He was subse-quently exchanged for Col. Coobran, a Union officer, imprisoned at Fort Sumter.

WILLIAM McCULLOCK, a banker of Lowville, N.Y., whose death occurred Nov. 12, was a fifer in the war of 1812, enlisting when only 12 years old as a substitute for his father. He leaves property worth about \$250,000.

CAPTAIN JOAN WILKINSON, a native of New York and a member of a distinguished family, died at Decatur, Ill., Nov. 9. aged 78. During the Mexican War he served as 1st Lieutenant of the 26th U. S. Infantry.

Mrs. Mary A. Irman, widow of Commo. William Inman, U.S. N., died in Philadelphia, Nov. 13, at the residence of her grandson, 706 Spruce street. Commo. Inman died in 1874.

CHANGES PROPOSED IN THE ATLANTA

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Quitte a sensation has been created among the officials of the Navy Department by the reciept of a letter from Capt. Bunce, commanding the Atlanta, in which he recommends some radical changes in the construction and armament of that vessel. He reports that the ship is continually shipping seas over bow and stern, and recommends that she be built up at both ends. It will be remembered that the construction bureau strongly protested against the low bow and stern of the Boston and Atanta, claiming that they could not live in a heavy sea. The advice of the bureau was not beeded and the work was conjtinued on the original plans. Another peculiar mistake made in the construction of the vessel is mentioned by Capt. Bunce. The vessel is armed for fighting head on, but armored for broadside engagements only. In a fight head on the Atlanta would be at the mercy of the enemy's guns. She could be raked fore and aft without trouble. Capt. Bunce also objects to the 8-med guns of the Atlanta and recommends that they be replaced by 6-inch guns. He says at present six kinds of ammunition have to be handed through the same hold. There are nearly fifty changes in all recommended. The majority being intended to provide more living room on board the vessel. Some change is recommended in the steering apparatus. It is thought that the position of the wheel is too exposed. The changes recommended by Capt. Bunce if made on both the Atlanta and Boston would cost at least \$200,000. Rear Admiral Luce has approved the recommendations made. The letter is in the bands of the Acting Secretary with a recommendation from the Chief Naval Constructor that no action be taken until the vessels have been thoroughly tested.

or Wednesday last, Nov. 16, the old receiving ship Vermont; at the Navy-yard, Brooklyn, was the scene of a very interesting ceremony, being ao less than the marriage of Lieut, York Noël, U. S. Navy, with Florencia Maria, the younger daughter of Capt, Wm. A. Kirkland, U. S. N., in command of the Vermont. The bride was dressed as brides should be, while the groom, as was to be expected, wore the brilliant naval uniform of his rank. The brides was dressed as brides should be, while the groom, as was to be expected, wore the brilliant naval uniform of his rank. The bride was dressed as brides while the groom, as was to be expected, wore the brilliant naval uniform of his rank. The brides was dressed as brides while the groom, as was to be expected, wore the brides and was lauditorn of his rank. The brides was the brides while the groom as was to be oxpected, wore the brides have a bride was a bride. Not the sister of the bride, Miss Isabel Kirkland, and two daughters of Civil Engr. P. C. Asserson, U. S. N. The groom's best man was Lieut. W. E. Little, of the Navy, the usbers being Lieut. T. E. D. W. Veeder, U. S. N.; Lieut. W. F. Spicer, of the Marine Corps, and at present attached to the Atlanta, and Asst. Surg. J. G. Field, Jr., U. S. N. These officers also wore the uniform of their respective ranks. The wedding was strictly private. The ceremony was performed according to the rites of the Catholic Church by Rev. Fr. McGiven, of Sacred Heart Church, Brooklyn, both bride and groom being members of that faith. The ceremony, which took plates at 8 p. M., was followed by an ample supper in the spatious cabins of the ship, during the discussion of which the Marine Band attached to the Yard, under the leadership of Prof. Conterto, performed appropriate musical selections. Among those present were noted, Rear Admiral and Mr. Gherardi, Lieut, Comdr. and Mrs. Rich, Lieut. and Mrs. Adams, Capt. McLane Tilton, U. S. M. C.; Mr. Clarence Moon with his sisterts Miss Moon and Miss Majurice, Miss Bogert and many more from the Na

The Baltimore Sun says: "It is again reported that Col. W. P. Craighill, Corps of Engineers. U. S. Army, may be selected for the position of Chief of Engineers. The appointment will be made by President Cheelsand about June I, (30th) when the present Chief. Engineer retires on account of age. Should the President decide to advance the Colonel to the Chief of Engineers, which carries with it the rank of Brigadier-General, the announcement will be received with much pleasure in Baltimore."

PAY INSPECTOR A. S. KENNEY has been designated to take charge of the division of audits and appropriations in the Bureau of. Provisions and Clothing during the temporary absence of Pay Inspector Billium on lick feave.

ENSIGN JOHN J. BLANDIN, U. S. N., late in temporary charge of the Baltimore branch of the hydrographic office, mrived in New York saturday, last, to report for duty on board the Treaton.

CAPTAIN A. Monnis, U. S. A., leaves New Brighton, N. Y., Nov. 23, for Hot Springs, N. C.

THE MARINE CORPS.

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ON Oct. 1, 1887, there were 1,893 enlisted men in the corps, 930 on board ships and 963 doing shore duty. During the past year there have been 701 enlistments, 147 re enlistments, 6 enlistments from the Army, 10 deaths, 372 discharges, 415 desertions, and 6 enlisted men have been 2 officers and 21 enlisted men tried by Courts-martial. One lat lieutenant has been retired for physical disability, and 1 2d lieutenant has died, 2 captains are under suspension by seitence of Court-martial, and 1 captain and 1 2d lieutenant are on sick leave. There are but 78 officers on the active list, the present law requiring it to be reduced to 75. In my report of 1885 I referred to the hardships resulting from a lack of promotion, and I again renew my recommendation that some increase in the higher grades be made, with a better distribution of officers. Twelve 2d lieutenants are totally inadequate for the duty requires.

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An increase of 500 privates is urgently demanded. A soldier should have at least one year's service in garrison before going to sea. Much of the desertion from ships is caused by this fact, the men not being familiar with the Service become disastisfied with ship life. The same reason, viz., paucity of numbers, is a powerful one for so many desertions on shore, the men being overworked. Nowhere in the Army are the men so constantly on guard duty and drill as in the Marine Corps.

I renew my recommendation for an appropriation to build barracks and quarters at the Norfolk Navyyard.

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The Anticiam, at League Island, which has for several years been used as a barrack, has become so rotten as to fill with water and settle in the mud. She has now some 10 feet of water in her hold. The men are still forced to remain on board of her at the risk of ar, epidemic of fever, because there is no building in the Navy-yard which is available, except at a heavy cost for alterations, which there is no appropriation to pay for.

Frequent inspections of the different posts during the past year show them all to be in a creditable state of discipline and efficiency.

Recruiting offices should be opened 'n country towns, where, it is believed, a better class of recruits might be had. Advertising in country newspapers does not seem to produce the desired effect.

BUREAU OF PROVISIONS AND CLOTHING

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PAYMASTER-GENERAL JAMES FULTON, U. S. N., in his annual report recommends that legislative authority be given for the detail of an officer as Assistant Paymaster General, who, together with the chiefs of the two newly organized divisions of the Bureau, should have a fixed tenure of office and recive during such service the highest sea pay of their grades. By exacting a strict accountability for the necessary purchases and utilizing the slores on hand, a reduction of \$100,000 has been effected. The concentration of stores at Navyyards has also resulted in a large saving.

An outline of the plan adapted for the practical operations of the Secretary's order requiring a consolidation of stores and supplies is set forth in the report. This has already been fully described here. A system of abstracting has been adopted by which it will be possible to tell at once the total amount and value of all the naval property on hand, or that of any one item or Bureau. A general appropriation book showing all the appropriations made by Congress under the respective Bureaus is also kept. All expenditures authorized by chiefs of Bureaus are duly charged against the respective appropriations, and daily balances available stated. In order to complete the system, legislation is recommended as follows: That the sale of all condemned articles abail be sold at public auction after advertisements for proposals; that appropriations for all stores and material be made "for the Navy" in lieu of the different Bureaus, and that authority be given to expend for advertising only a certain percentage of the estimated cest of articles to be purchased. The Bureau is of the opinion that the interests of the Service would be greatly promoted if there were assistant paymasters available for assignment to did the corps, and recommends that the number of assistant paymasters be increased to twenty-five, and that all appointments hereafter be made from graduates of the Corps, and recommends that the number of assista

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The new steamer Connecticut, of the Providence and Stonington Line, was launched with due formality at Noank, conn., on Wednesday. The vessel was built by Robert Palmer, and Sons, and differs in plan and details from other Sound steamers. Her bow lines are 171 feet long, half her length, and her centrel of displacement is so far forward that freight may be slowed forward of the main deck saloon. The engines are 40 per cent lighter than common beam engines of the same power. The Connecticut's length over all is 387 feet, beam 48 feet, hull 17 feet, and extreme depths, forward and aft, 26 and 20 feet respectively. The hull is of wood and there are 41 we water tight compartments. Oscillating, angines are used, and steam is supplied by six steel boilers. With the use of two blowers and with engines making thirty revolutions a minute nearly 6,000 horse-power can be developed. Ventilsting fans driven by electric motors, electric lights and bells and all the latest improvements are part and parcel of the Connecticut. The yessel is expected to make twenty miles an hour. The machinery, by tramp and 800s, will be put in at some deck in the East River in this city in a few diags. The manager of the Stopington Line is an ex-United States naval miles. Mr. J. W. Miller. who graduated from the Naval Academy in 1867,

BUREAU OF NAVIGATION.

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The annual report of Commodore J. G. Walker, Chief Bureau Navigation, states that recent observations taken on board the Atlanta at Newport in determining and compensating her compass errors are of special interest to the service, and are valuable as indicating the probable changes which will take place in the magnetic conditions of the steel cruisers now being built.

There now seems to be no necessity for supplying incandescent and search light plants to ships of war, since the incandescent plants submitted will serve for both purposes, and attention is called to the importance of locating the engines and dynamos of electric lighting plants below the water line on all ships, and below the protectivo decks in ships so constructed.

The publication of the revised general signal book has been retarded by the inability to subject the modifications proposed to the tactical signal book the protectical trials, and the recommendation is renewed for obtaining four of our larger 'urgs for the purpose of collecting data relating to the manœuvring of ships.

Additional professional books have been added to the libraries of cruising ships and three professional papers have been published, or are now in print.

Commander F. A. Cook, in the Ranger, has continued the work of sounding in the Pacific Ocean, and of triangulating the coast.

The limited force of clerks and copyings now provided by Congress for collecting, arranging, and copying the naval war records prevents this important work from being pushed to completion as rapidly as the circumstances demand.

It is recommended that two more branch Hydrographic Offices be established, one on the Atlantic and one on the Pacific Coast. An appropriation is recommended to construct a building especially adapted to Hydrographic work.

A small vessel designed for destroying floating and abandoued wrecks is asked for. The preparation of plans and specifications for the new Nava Observatory is still in progress. The report concludes with urgent recommendatio

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SURGEON-GENERAL F. M. GUNNELL, U. S. N., in his annual report, repeats his request for an increased appropropriation for the preservation and repair of the several naval hospitals.

The construction of the naval hospital and sanitarium at Wilson.s Island, Penobscot Bsy, Me., is progressing rapidly, and it is believed will be completed by Dec. 16 next.

Tentative experiments have been made upon the steel used in new guns for the Navy in order to determine the amount of carbon, silicon, phosphorus and sulphur existing in the samples presented. The investigation is interesting and important, as the presence of these bodies is known to affect the physical properties of steel.

The condition of the Medical Corps of the Navy, which was represented to you last year and commended in your yearly report to the stiention of Congress, urgently calls for legislative action. The numbers are still diminishing. There are now 12 vacancies for assistant surreons.

There were 69 patients belonging to the Navy treated in the Government Hospital for the Insane, in the District of Columbia, for the year ending Sept. 30, 1887, and the insane of the Navy on the Pacific coast will be transferred there.

The total number of deaths among the force afloat during the year ending Dec. 31, 1886, was 51, and the whole number of sick days, 74.74: at navy-yards and stations, deaths, 9, and sick days, 18,556; at hospitals, deaths, 49, and sick days, 56,668. Daily average sick, 204.69: daily average each case was under treatment, 8.81: admissions per thousand, 79.89; deaths per thousand, 5.42.

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THE text-book on Hydromeobanics, precared by Professor Poter S. Michie, replaces Bartlett's "Mechanics of Fluide," the text book formerly used for instruction in that subject. Mr. William D. Ward, cidest son of the cierk to the Adjutant, was married last Monday, in Boston, to Miss Gertrude Bradford.

The cadet hop last Saturday evening was quite well attended. A large hop will be given next Wednesday evening in Grant Hall. From present indications, it promises to be a large affair. The omeers had the second of the series of hops on Tuesday evening. Lieut. Folts was manager, and performed the duties to the complete satisfaction of all present. Most of the officers and laddes of the post turned out, some bringing young lady elsitors, among whom were Miss Spencer, Miss Ransom, Miss Van Burren, Miss Farragut (a niece of the Admiral) and Miss Emily Wheeler, a daughter of the late Professor Wheeler.

Next week promises to be quite lively in a social way, Bestdes having the Thanksgiving hop of the cadets, the officers will have the third of their number on Tuesday evening. The date originally set for this was Nov. 29, but the time was changed to Nov. 22, ou account of the large number of guests expected by officers of the post for Thanksgiving week.

LATE ARMY ORDERS.

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A G. C. M. will meet at St. Francis Barracks, Fla., on Nov. 22. Detail: Major Passmore Middleton, surgeon; Capt. Geo. Mitchell, let Lieuta. Lotus Niles. R. Q. M.; Eli D. Hoyle, adjutant; 2d Lieuts. John Conslin, Jr., Cornélis. DeW. Willcox. 2d Art. and let Lieut. E. T. C. Richmond, 2d Art., J. A. (S. O. 28, IV. Atl., Nov. 18.)

Leave for six days, to commence on or about Nov., 20, is granted Major John S. Wicher, paymaster, Newport Barracks (S. O. 248, Div. Atl., Nov. 18.)

Leave for fifteen days. to commence on or about Nov., 21, is granted 1st Lieut. Elbridge R. Hills, 5th Art., Fort Columbus (S. O., Nov. 18, Div. Atlantic.)

Among the candidates for the vacancy in the Cuartermaster's Department, U.S. Army, are Amos Webster, formerly Chief Clerks of the Treasury Department, and several old clerks of the War Department. A large majority of first lieutenants of the line are, of course, aspirants.

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United States. As soon as the range was obtained, the position behind the stone wall was clearly untenable, and the guns should have been withdrawn shortly. They continued to fire through the greater part of the action. Considering the guns hors decombat, Smith ordered the advance of the artillery battalion down the cut, while the Marines, who had been deployed to cover Cashing's battery, were swung down toward the embankment. Strong's company, forming the advance of the artillery battalion, were deployed across the cut and in the field on the right covering the head of the artillery column.

At this point occurred one of those funny contretemps to which the mock battle is always liable. On the left of the cut was a high board-fence concealing the ground beyond it entirely from view. It had been the intention of the defence, after the left wing of the enemy had begun to give way, to form line across the fence, and sweep with their fire the ground which the enemy retreating toward their boats would have to cross. Through some misapprehension of the time the blue jackets of the attack finding nothing in front of them had advanced to the fence, and the first intimation of this dangerous proximity of a foe to their upprotected flank was conveyed to the artillery by the apparition of a bearded face surmounted by a naval cap from under which proceeded a voice which exclaimed in most realistic and telephonic tones—hello!

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The situation was cartainly taggering and the first impulse was to do what was the only thing left to be done, fall back in the cut and drop every man who showed his head over the fence, but Captain Smith with the imperturbability of his character, copper fastened by large experience of real war, calmily ordered the battailon to cross the fence and disreasard were to be summarily disposed of by the information that they had no business to be there, that they were, in a word, slightly previous. It is greatly to their credit that they accepted the attuation with the best possible grace and having by their enterprise gained a brilliant advantage, relinding the control of the contro

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CHEST CONSTRUCTOR T. D. WILSON, U. S. N., in his annual report, earnestly recommends that an assistant chief of his Bureau be authorized, to be selected from the Corps of Naval Constructors not below the rank of commander, at an extra compensation of \$800 per annum. An estimate is also submitted for a chief draughtsman with the view to the proportion of Mr. Wm. T. Powell, who is at present the head of draughting room of the Bureau. He reviews his recommendation that modern vessels be built to replace the Savatoga, Portsmouth, and Jamestoum, An appropriation of \$80.000 is also asked for the lumediate construction of experimental works, for use in the determination of the resistance and other qualities of ships by means of models. Special authority for the repair of the sloop-of-war Hartford, at an estimated cost of \$175,000 is urgently recommended. In regard to the single-turreted monitors, the report says: "If these vessels are to be kept on the naval list, they should be placed in perfect repair and be fitted with such modern rifles as they are capable of carrying. Within six months all of these vessels could be put in the same state of efficiency distribution, at an expenditure of about \$500.00. This would give thirteen coast-defence vessels actually available, armed with 15-inch smooth-bore guns. These guns could be replaced as rapidly as possible by rifles. By no other means could the same amount of money be spent to give the country such a valuable return."

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The report concludes as follows: "The outfook for the Navy in the near future is a very hopeful one, and with the completion of the vessels Low projected, the Navy will consist of a number of modern vessels admirably adapted to the varied needs of the Service. The character of the work being done on the vessels now building, and those lately completed, shows that our shipbuilders are able to turn out vessels of war second to none in the world. The establishment of the gun factory shi Washington, and introduction by the Beibleheim Iron Works of a plant to furnish heavy armor and gun forgings, makes the United States absolutely independent of other countries in the construction and armament of the report are lists showing vessels repaired during the year, contracts made for materials and supplies for the several Navy-yards, and a statement showing the condition of the various vessels now building for the Navy up to Oct. 1, 1887.

THE STATE TROOPS.

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In his annual report Lieut.-Gen. Sheridan says: "I am strongly in favor of the General Government extending all possible aid to the National Guard of the different States, as they constitute a body of troops that in any great emergency would form an important part of our military force. They should be armed with the best weapons, amply provided with complete camp and garrison equipage, and instructed in the various drills and exercises according to the tactics and systems followed in the Regular Army. According to my observation and experience most of the State troops now march well and handle the gun well, but they are deficient in discipline and in all the duties that teach a soldier to take care of bimself while in camp or upon a march. This defect can best be overcome by establishing some system of encampment under the control and direction and at the entire expense of the General Government; in the development of such a measure the entire Army, as well as myself personally, will be glad to render such assistance as lies in our power, and I recomment that the favorable consideration of the subject may be commended to Congress."

A MILITIA AMBULANCE CORPS.

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Sixty-there members of the Canteen, sat down to dinner at Mazzetti's, Sixth ave., New York, on the evening of Saturday, Nov. II. Gen. Mollocax presiding. After the dinner the business of the Club was transacted. Gen. W. G. Ward reported progress on the scheme for annual Autumual mancouvres, and said he had no doubt but that by another year it would be in practical operation. The date for the annual dinner was fixed for the second Saturday in January, the date of the club's organization. The committee on Nominations reported as their choices for officers for the ensuing year the following: President, Col. James H. Jones, of the 12th N. F. N. G.: Commo. E. A. K. Benham, U. S. N.; Sersond Vion President, Major James Jackson, U. S. A.; Corresponding Secretary, F. A. Webb; Treasurer, Brig. Gen. Rodney C. Ward; Council, in addition to the officers named, Gen. W. G. Ward, Capt. A. P. Gook, U. S. Navy; Col. Thomas B. Rand, and Licuts G. Na, Whistler and R. H. Paterson, U. S. A.

The Committee on Constitution reported a new Coustitution. The following extracts show the character of the organization:

This organization shall be called The Canteen. Habits organization shall be:

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2. To encourage the organization of an efficient military establishment for purposes of national defence.

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Any commissioned officer or ex officer (having an honorable record) of the Army, Navy, and Marine Corps of the United States, the National Guardor military service of any State, shall be eligible for membership.

Any member of the Ofder who shall, at any meet? ing of The Canteen introduce, either directly oning directly, a political subject, or who, by remark, in any way incites a political discussion, shall be fined

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The regular meeting is to be held each month, at which a dinner is to be provided, not to exceed in cost \$2, to be paid only by those attending. This dinner "shall be served upon The Canteen mess service, which shall consist of plates, cups, bowls, etc., tin or granite ware, or such other material suitable for field use."

After the dinner business is to be transacted and a paper read and discussed.

In order to preserve the proper idea of camp life, The Canteen shall hold each year, at such time as shall be deemed most advisable, a bivouac, in which the members will organize themselves into messes, furnish their own food, cut their own wood, make their own camp fire, and cook and serve their own rations; no menials permitted.

The paper read at the meeting on Saturday was on the subject of "First Aid to the Injured in the National Guard or Militia Force of the United States." Its author is Surgeon Nelson H. Henry, of the 12th Regiment, N. G. S. N. Y., whose valuable services in improving the character and extending the scope of the Medical Corps of the Guard has made him so well and so favorably known. In his paper Dr. Henry called attention to the importance of a properly organized Ambulance Corps, and showed that its necessity was recognized by every leading nation. He said:

At the close of our late civil war the United States probably had the most perfect medical and ambulance service ever produced up to that period; the experience of five terrible years of bloodebed brought into existence a system seemingly so complete that the nations of Europe siudied and adopted the plan of organization as 2 basis upon which to build their medical services. If one will look over the records of the first year of our civil strile, he will find ample proof that thousands and thousands of lives were sacrificed through no cause but neglect; the wounded were without care or attention for days on the battlefield; sokness also, which does more to render an army ineff

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Continuing, Dr. Henry showed how lethargy had succeeded activity, so that no change or improvement had been made in the Army Medical Service until the recent organization of an ambulance corps. He showed the necessity for organizing a similar corps in the militia, and said:

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How can the National Guard of our country be best prepared and trained, so that when the occasion shall arise, the augmented force will be in condition to properly perform sanitary duty, to care for the sick and wounded? This question has been carefully considered for the past two years by the medical officers of the State of New York, and a report is about ready containing the suggestion of the most feasible plan to accomplie this end.

This plan suggests that three meu be detailed from each company to receive from the medical officer of the command, instruction in first aid to the injured and stretcher bearing; this detail shall be made only from men who have already seen one year's service, and time so engaged shall not interfere with their company duties, but shall be extra service. The tour of service shall be for two consecutive years; at the expiration of this time they shall undergo an examination in regard to their proficiency, and be excused from further artendance. Upon such a plan, from such men, in case of emergency a medical or ambulance corpectan readily be formed, and if the application of such knowledge should not be required during their term of enlistment the National Guard will be returning to society, annually, a body of men better fitted in their daily occupations to care for one another; how many there are every year who die a miserable d-ath, and who might have been saved by prompt aid had anyone been near who knew how to give it.

A prominent surgeon has remarked: The manner in which immediate assistance or first aid is given, the promptitude with which it is rendered, and the fashion in which removal of the sufferers is carried out, in cases of accident, is truly a syrious concern, not merely important in respect to preventing aggravation of existing suffering, but on which the question of life itself, in numerous instances, and in many others the whole future state of the wounded, whether it shall be one

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"To-day pointout our most efficient organizations for expanding increase on which reliance can be placed for future officers, where rank and file are capable of being graded as officers, to lead the masses which would, by enlistment and conscription, be placed under them, and I will venture to say, without an exception, those regiments will be selected whose rank and file are most considered, those where they are allowed the fullest scope in the control of their own affairs as to membership and self-government, other than on the drill floor; and in them will be found the highest respect for officers, the greatest deference to them on and off duty, and a general reliance one on the other—the officer on his company—the private soldier on his officer, which enables them to meet on a plane of honored brotherhood, both in and out of the sorvice."

THE 71st, THE 12th AND THE 8th N. Y.

To the Editor of the Army and Navy Journal:

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The 71st Regiment has now occupied the old armory of the 12th Regiment, corner of 86th st. and Broadway, for some eight months, and yet as I passed there a few evenings ago I was astonished to see over the main entrance of the armory in buge letters the sign "12th Infantry, N. G., S. N. Y., Iodependence Guard," I should have thought there was at least pride enough in the 71st to run under its own name. I could that no sign of 71 anywhere visible on the armory; even along the 100 ft as 12th Infantry" stood out in bold relief. I went on down as it are 38th st. to the old 71st Regt. armory, which is now occupied by the 8th Regt., and the same state of affairs was apparent. The 8th Regt. was running under the name of the 71st, only the signs were very much more dispidated. Is it want of pride or want of money that these regiments do not take down the old signs and run under their own names? It certainly seems strange that they have not had enterprise enough to have their own signs before this late day. I hope they will do something now themselves, or, if they can't, try and get a committee from the other regiments of the Guard to help them.

OBSERVER.

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The 13th annual reunion of the 43d Mass. Vols. Association was held at the Revere House. Boston, on Thursday, Nov. 17, the 25th anniversary of their first day at Newbern, N. C. The business meeting was called to order at 5 o'clock, and dinner was served at 6 r. M. sharp.

The handsome gold and silver medals to be presented to the winners at the athletic games of the 12th Regiment N. Y., at their new armory, on Saturday evening, Dec. 10, will be on exhibition at Tredwell, Floate and Co. 272-377 Broadway. New York, on Nov. 20. Among the various events is a two mile bicycle race, handleap, open to all amateurs, which is expected to be a very exolting affair.

Co. B. of the 22d N. Y. Regt., celebrated its twenty-seventh anniversary by an informal reception in its armory Monday evening to its gentlemes friends and ex-officers. After the usual drill the members of the company adjourned to the general officers' rooms, where refreshments were served. Speeches were heard from present officers of the regiment and others.

Co. Emmons Clark, just returned from Europe, says as to the prospects for peace or war on the Continent: "There is a visible spirit of unrest throughout Europe. In military circles the talk is all of war. France is burning for vengeance against Germany, but she is conscious of her insolities to measure strength successfully with the German Army. In my opinion the Germans would wipe the earth with them, if the French should precipitate a conflict." A reception is to be given to Col. Clark at the armory of the 7th Regiment, on Saturday evening, Nov. 19, at 8 o'clock. He returns, from his foreign trip, rejuvenated and full of information for the reporters of the daily papers, who descended upon him like the iccusts of Egypt, upon the announcement of his return to New York, and a member of the Millitary Order Loyal Legion. On Saturday, Dec. 3, the fall games of the 7th Regt. N. Y. will be held at the armory. The most exciting event promised is the inter-company tug of twar. The teams will nu

avenue, Lynch and Haywaru street, or 23 in the armory. Co. H. 89th Regt., gives a ball on Nov. 23 in the armory. The annual inspection and muster of the 14th Regt. will take place at the armory, on North Portland avenue, on Nov. 21. It was originally set down for Oct. 10, but was postponed owing to the trip which the regiment about that time made

Rutherford, to be Captain; Martin V. Brown, to be lst Licutenant; John T. Pursell, to be 2d Licutenant.

Third Battalion of Infantry.—Co. A.—William W. Mills, to be Captain; Conrad Ludwig, to be 1st Licutenant; Richard Curtin, to be 2d Licutenant. Co. C.—Henry F. Poston, to be Captain; William E. Bengle, to be 1st Licutenant; John O'Neill, to be 2d Licutenant.

Fourth Battalion of Infantry.—Co. A.—Eugene C. Edw rds, to be Captain; Cornelius T. Daly, to be 1st Licutenant; B. Hersey Murroe, to be 2d Licutenant. Co. B.—Arypite Mackey, to be Captain; William F. Field, to be 1st Licutenant; Martin F. Flannery, to be 2d Licutenant. Co. B.—Arypite Mackey, to be Captain; William F. Field, to be 1st Licutenant; Martin F. Flannery, to be 2d Licutenant. Co. C.—Charles S. Domer, to be Captain; Lee B. Mosher, to be 1st Licutenant; Martin F. Flannery, to be 2d Licutenant.

Fifth Battalion of Infantry.—Charles B. Fi-her, to be Major; Irving H. Simma, to be let Licutenant and Adjutant. Co. A.—Benjamin Young, to be Captain; Robert Morton, to be 2d Licutenant.

Sixth Battalion of Infantry.—Christian A. Fleetwood, to be Major; Thomas L. Upshaw, to be Captain; and Surgeon; W. H. Judson Malivin, to be 1st Licutenant and Adjutant; Joseph S. Coolidze, to be 1st Licutenant and Quartermaster. Co. A.—Arthur Brooks, to be Captain; Shriver H. Williams, to be 1st Licutenant: Marshall M. Custis, to be 2d Licutenant. Co. B.—John S. Clements, to be Captain; Thomas L. Co-William H. Lee, to be Captain; Thomas L. Co-William H. Lee, to be Captain; Thos. D. Strothers, to be 1st Licutenant. Co. D.—Abraham L. Alexander, to be Captain; Silviord Marshall, to be 1st Licutenant. Seventh Battalion of Infantry.—Frederick C. Reveils, to be Major; Stdey A. Sumby, to be Captain and Surveon; Charles R. Houglass, to be 1st Licutenant and Captain; Thos. D. Strothers, to be 1st Licutenant and Quartermaster. John E. Purdy, to be 1st Licutenant and Captain; Co. D.—Abraham L. Alexander, to be Captain; Charles H. Hill, to be 1st Licutenant; Charles H. Matshand of In

MASSACHUSETTS.

COMPANY B, 8th Regt, of Infantry, 2d Brigade, M. V. M., having fallen below the standard of efficiency, has been disbanded. Petitions to form companies to be attached to the Massachusetts Vol. Militia are granted for Adams, Amherst Attleborough, Amesbury, Braintree, Greenfield, Hudson and Northampton, Mass. Col. Benjamin F. Bridges, Jr., will arrange for the enlistment and muster into service of a new company in the city of Northampton, Nov. 16 (Co. I); a company in Amberst, Nov. 19 (Co. K); a company in Greenfield, Nov. 21 (Co. L), and a company in the town of Adams, Nov. 18 (Co. M), all 2d Regt, of Inf., lat Brigade, M. V. M. Col. Wm. A. Bancroft will muster the new company in the town of Atleborough, Nov. 18 (Co. I); in Braintree, Nov. 21 (Co. K), and in Hudson, Nov. 16 (Co. L), all 5th Regt, Inf., 2d Brigade, M. V. M. Col. Francas A. Osgood will muster the new company in Amesbury, Nov. 21, which will hereafter be known as Co. B, 8th Inf., 2d Brigade, M. V. M.

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OMAHA projects an independent company and Governor Thayer on being consulted said that the company could not be mustered in as a part of the National Guard of Nebraska but that it could be made an unattached company until such time as the Legislature provided for additional troops in the way of larger appropriation. At a recent meeting of citizens to consider the subject, Col. Guy V. Henry, U. S. A., and Lieut. L. D. Greene, A. D. C. of Gen. Crook's staff, were present and addressed the meeting, giving a number of interesting and advisory points relative to such an organization as was contemplated, and also proffered their services for any time in the future.

CALIFORNIA NATIONAL GITARD

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THE total membership of the California National G as taken from the muster rolls of July, 1887, is as follow	uard.
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Company officers and men:	
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	2,943
Total membership of the W.C. C.	9.402

(Correspondence of the Army and Navy Journal.) THE CLOUDS HANGING OVER ENGLAND.

NOVEMBER 1, 1887.

THE condition of the London streets is about the same, if not worse, than it was last summer when the Endacott-Cass case occurred. Regent street, Piccadilly, the Strand, Oxford street, and the bystreets leading into them, are a disgrace to any civilized city after dark, and especially so at mid-

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Daily meetings of the so-called "unemployed" are now being held in London, which would not be tolerated in any other country. The bulk of those present are not "unemployed," but roughs and agitators and boys, who are ready for any rioting if they could have their way. The police are too strong for them, however, and though they are allowed to meet and to listen to inciting speeches, and to march through the streets from 2,000 to 5,000 strong, they are too carefully guarded to do any mischief. But what other large city would allow such meetings of such people in a central square, to the injury of the business of the shopkeepers, the interruption of traffic, and the annoyance of other people on foot? To say nothing of the damage to property if the police should lose control of them or be caught napping.

The English are great sticklers for the right of public meeting and public speech, but I doubt if the right covers such daily exercise of it with its attendant dangers. The real "unemployed" mainly hold aloof from these meetings. There is no doubt that there is a great number of people out of work who would be glad of work, and who are daily searching for it, a great deal of hardship and starvation and misery, and very many charitable people are trying their best to relieve the suffering. But the trouble is, London is so large and so wealthy that from all parts of the country the idle and the unemployed flock to the city for work and help, and the army of needy ones is too large for speedy and effective relief. This winter is going to be a hard one, the cold weather has begun sooner than customary, and such is the competition for work that wages are very low. There will be great suffering and many deaths. All over the country it is more or less the same; farmers are doing badly, laborers are getting starvation wages, and landlords are in difficulties. What En

reduced (some farms are let for rates and taxes only, the owners getting no rent at all); this reduces the value of the land (in some cases one-half); this cramps the landlord and obliges them to retrench in every way, and so less money is spent and is in circulation. All charities are suffering for want of funds—hospitals especially. 'I don't see what is to bring about a better state of things, except an abandonment of Free Trade and a policy of moderate protection. It would be injurious to American farmers, but each country must look to its own welfare in preference to that of others.

England is now mainly dependent on foreign supplies of food for her existence, and a war with any country that could by its fleet cut off her foreign commerce and intercept the food vessels coming here would starve the country in a very short time. That is where England feels herself vulnerable and why she has to maintain a large navy to secure for herself the mastery of the seas. Invasions she is not afraid of, said foreign wars she can manage without much anxiety, but a stoppage of supplies of food would be ruin to her, and that I suppose is the reason why no obstacles to the importation of wheat are ev:r raised. But the English farmers suffer, and the agricultural laborers.

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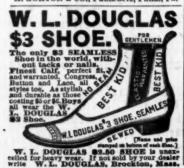


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AFFER a long rest of twenty odd years we really acem to be in a fair way of possessing a Navy of modern airlys armed with modern guns. The new cruisers, despite the growlings of the press and certain not altogether creditable objections made to them on grounds which are rather political than engineering, are doubtless great advance on our previous specimens of naval architecture. And mow at last we have the first of the new 10-in, steel breech-loading rifles with which to arm them. Other rams of 10½ and 12 in, are to follow for use on the remodelled double-turneted monitors and the armored battle-ships yet to be built.

This 10-in, gun, soon to be treated at the Annapolis proving ground, is the most powerful steel gun ever built in America. It weighs 58,240 lbs., and is to throw a projectile of 500 lbs. with a charge of 250 lbs. of powder, and a muzzle energy of 15,285 footbons. This energy is sufficient to penetrate about 24 inches of armor plate. The 10½-in, guns will have a powder charge of 275 lbs. and a shot of 550 lbs.; while the 12-in, is to carry a projectile of 850 lbs.; while the 12-in, is to carry a projectile of 850 lbs.; while the 12-in is to carry a projectile of 850 lbs.; while the 12-in is to carry a projectile of 850 lbs.; propelled by 425 lbs. of powder, and strike with an estimated energy of 26,000 foot-tons—a power sufficient to penetrate 27½ in, of wrought iron. While the largest of these guns falls far short, in power and weight of gun and projectile, of the monsters of Krupp and Armstrong, they will do to start with, and are encouraging exhibits of a new American mannfacture. Whether they are the best that we can make, now that we are taking a practical interest in gun-building, time and further experiments alone can determine. If we can judge from past experience in introducing new types of heavy guns, the out-look is promising for renewed success. These first steel guns are to, all intents and purposes simply copics of the best examples of foreign practice, and whi

ANSWERS TO CORRESPONDENTS.

Quivis .- He has been on duty at the A. G. O.

Chor.—We mail you a copy of A. G. O., Circular August 28, 1879, in regard to post traders.

Inquirer.—There is no list kept at the Q. M. G. O. of the standing of Post Quartermaster Sergeants.

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Anxious.—The next retirement for age is Major I. O. Dewey, Paymaster, U. S. Army, March 9, 1888. H. G.-Lieut. Sebree Smith, 2d U. S. Artillery, ow at Fort Leavenworth, Kas., received a leave in Maj

A. B. asks: What are the stripes and chevrons worn by color sergeants? Ans.—Three bars and a sphere 114 inches in diameter.

134 mehes in diameter.

S. E. K. asks: Who will represent the 10th District of New York in the House of Representatives this coming session? Ass.—Francia B. Spinola, New York City.

J. W. B.—There are eight districts in the city of New York—3th, 7th, 5th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th and 13th—which do you wish to know about? Galveston (Tex.), 7th District, will be vacant in 1891; San Antonio, 10th District, in 1899.

Anxious.—Are persons allowed to visit the Brooklyn Navy-yard on Snndays, or go on board United States men-of-war on that day? Ans.—Visitors are excluded from the Navy-yard on Sunday, but not from vessels lying elsewhere in port.

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X.—We do not recall a case of transfer from the Army to the Marine Corps, but we have known of cases where men were discharged from the Army in order that they might enlist in the Marine Corps. Still, it could be done by order of the President.

y order of the President.

Sergeant-Major asks "by what authority does a ergeant-major wear an aigulette?" Ans.—We know of some. The aigulette is only worn by officers of the Adjuant-General's and Inspector-General's Departments, aides-e-camp, and regimental adjutants.

J. F. S. asks: Can a soldier vote in Colorado, being a citizen of said State prior to enlistment? Ass.—Yes.

2. If a man is a citizen of New York and has been a soldier out of the State for five years, can be vote immediately on his return? Ass.—Yes. A man does not lose his citzenship by enlistment.

Artillery says: A states that at the declaration of war between Prussia and France the French field artillery was armed with brech-loading cannon. B states that the field artillery of the French Imperial Army was armed with

muzzle-loading cannon (La Hitte's rifled system), and the the breech-loading cannon, probably Reyfie's system, was not used by the French field artillery until after Sedan ANS.—The field artillery of the French Army numbered on July I, 1870 (war was Jeclared July 19: 3,216 (4 pdr., 8 pdr. and 12 pdr. guns), La Hitte; 581 rifled 4 pdr. mountain guns 190 mitrailleuses. See German Official Report of the War.

I. D. G.—The Headquarters of the 13th U. S. Infantry are at Fort Wingate, N. M. The following officers who belonged to the regiment in 1865 are yet alive: Isaac V. D. Reeve. Colonel. U. S. Army, retired, Minneapolis, V. D. Reeve. Colonel. U. S. Army, retired, Minneapolis, Minneapolis, Wisconstan, William Nelson, Captain, retired, Evansville, Indiana.

FOREIGN ITEMS.

France has abolished the post of Naval Attaché to the Embassy at St. Petersburg.

A GERMAN lieutenant at Zittau has been con-demned to eight months' arrest and ten years' delay in promotion because he administered castigation to a soldier who was thereby rendered until for ser-

SIR CHARLES DILKE, in his introductory article on "The British Army," which appears in the current number of the Fortnightly Review, has made out a strong case for increased expenditure on prepara-tions for offensive as well as defensive operations.

The four 67-ton gons for H. M. S. Trafalgar are being manufactured at Woolwiot. They are to be constructed entirely of steel, and will be 35 ft. 1 in. long, with a calibre of 13½ in. The gun is to fire a shot weigning 1,250 lb., with a powder charge of 630 recorded.

La France Militaire says that in case of war the military force of Italy would comprise nearly 1,800,000 men, which would be made upus follows: Standing army, 17,328 officers, 432,000 men, 10,056 horses, 1,242 guns; Mobile Militia, 2,625 officers, 217,512 men, 378 guns; Territorial Militia, 5,465 officers, 1,297,250 men.



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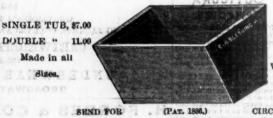
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Mr. Barker's Chinese agent, Simon Stern, has brought a duplicate of the Viceroy Li Hung Chang's map of the railway under Mitkiewicz's Concession. The route from Pekin to Shanghai is via the Grand Canal. It then follows the Yang-Tsze Kiang River, and reaches Canton via the valley of the Pe Kiang River, its length being about 3,000 miles.

A TRIAL of a new torpedo-boat, the Jancthikhe, destined for the port of Viadivostock, and constructed in St. Petersburg, has given satisfactory results. The average speed attained nuring a three hours' trip was slightly over the 19 knots contracted for. A further trial is to be made to determine the quant, tv of coal and the capacity of the bunkers necessary for a voyage of 2,000 knots.

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The Czar has refused to comply with energetic requests of the Panslavist Party to assist Abyssinia against fraly and England. It is reported at St. Petersburg that a ukase is about to be issued reserving commissions in the artiflery and engineer branches of the service solely to cadets belonging to the noblifty. This is an extension of the policy of Count Tolston, who refused to confer posts in the civil service on representatives of the untitled classes.

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In an article in the November number of the "Contemporary Review" on the Central Asian question, Gen. Sir John Adye argues that there is no real cause for war between England and Russia in Central Asia. The paths and intergets of the two Empires lie far apart. There is, he adds, room for both. Unless Russian statesmen lose their heads the attempt to invade India will never be made unless England should lose her grip.

The London police had a severe tussle with a crowd who sought to hold a public meeting in Trafalgar square on Sunday last to discuss the wrongs of labor. The 4,000 policemen on duty ware reinforced by the presence of troops who, however, took no part in the contest with the mob, which resulted in a large number of minor casualties to the police, as well as to the mob. 20,000 specual constables are to be sworn in, as there is a prospect of a renewal of the contest next Sunday.

General Boulanger, exactly as the clock struck

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General Boulanger, exactly as the clock struck twelve, Nov. 18, buckled on his sword and emerged from arrest. A small but noisy crowd, collected at the railway station and tried to catch a sight of him as he left, at 7.50. But the General drove to Riom, cight miles from Clermont, thus avoiding the growd, and got into the train there. The General's first word, as his arrest expired were a request to keep down the geal of ill-advised friends. General Boulanger did not go direct to Paris, but got ont of the train at a station near Paris and drove to the city in a friend's carriage, taking this means of reaching Paris in order to avoid a demonstration.

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order to avoid a demonstration.

When Gambetta were up in a balloon during the siege of Paris he alighted in the wood of Favières, not far from Clermont. The grappling hooks which he and his faithful secretary, Spuller, threw out took hold on a venerable oak tree, and since then the tree has been called Gambetta's tree, and held sacred by all the republican inhabitants of the department. But the wood belongs to a monarchist, who, being no admirer of Gambetta, is about to have it cut down. Thereanent a movement has been set on foot to persuade the said monarchist to spare the identical tree, which it is proposed to rail round and preserve as a historical monument.

THE Military Club in Paris, founded by General Boulanger, is in pecuniary embarrassment, and an application will be made to the French Chambers for an appropriation in its behalf.

The firm of Krupp has, it is stated, offered two million marks for the secret of the new explosive invented by the Russian engineer, Rouckteshell. Having, however, entered into a previous agreement with the Russian Government, the inventor has refused to sell.

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The old soldiers of the Hotel des Invalides, Paris cannot complain that they are overlooked by the Government. Tenders will be received next week for a two years' supply of crutches, leg and arm pieces, and "timber toes" for the old warriors who have lost their limbs on the field of battle. The contractors chosen will have to work in the Hotel des Invalides from wooden models, and will receive 18 francs for legs, and about 5 francs for crutches.

(From the Boston Transcript.)

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THE Listener has heard a Navy story which has been going round the wardrooms for some little time, he supposes, which is worth telling. A few years ago, the commander of a United States manof-war, stationed with a fleet at a tropical port, went away on leave of absence, leaving the ship in charge of the next in command, who happened to be an efficer of sociable tendencies, and agreeable life. Toward the close of the captain's leave, his substitute, the lieutenant, came under a violent temptation to visit a neighboring city, where certain social exigencies seemed to require his presence. So he, too, took his departure, absolutely without leave, intending to return the next day. He did not return the next day, however, nor the day after; in fact, his absence was prolonged for a week, and when the captain finally returned he found the lieutenant had just reported, somewhat the worse for wear.

In the meantime the excapade had become known to all the fleet, including Admiral Twineby, who was disposed to make a fuss about it. The captain called the lieutenant and objurgated him quite warnly. The lieutenant had no explanation to make—nothing to say.

"Well," said the captain, "there will naturally be a court of inquiry, and (the captain smiled rather grimly as he said it) either you, or i, or Admiral Twineby will have to suffer for it."

This remark seemed to supply the lieutenant with a happy thought. He got up, seized the captain by the coat collar, and whispered hoarsely and unsteadily in his ear:

"Shay, I tell you what we'll do; we'll shove it off on old Twineby!"

BISMARCKO-HELENA AMENITIES.

THE Associated Press liar at Bismarck is getting in his work on the Crow trouble in great shape. He makes a modest demand for more troops at Fort Lincoln. Bismarck must be boomed.—Helena Independent.

The Evening Sun's correspondent, describing Sunday's riots in London, says "a detachment of the Life Guards with drawn cuirasses appeared." Our contemporary's correspondent must be a cuir-ass.—N. Y. Telegram.

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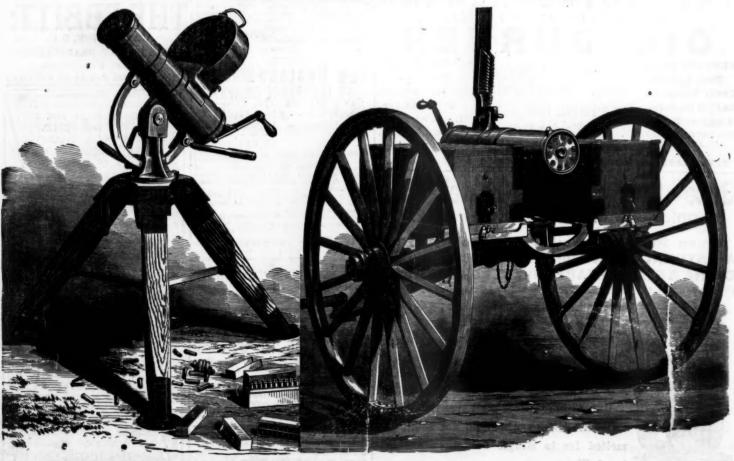
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